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# Can the Large Central Plant Survive?

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Redeposition...

Everyone talks about it, no one does anything about it!

# Manufacturer Licks Redeposition Problem!



THE FIRST OBJECTIVE of dry cleaning is to clean clothes. The second most-trying objective is to remove soil from the dry cleaning solvent, allowing the solvent to continue to do an efficient dry cleaning job. All the dirt that is soluble goes into solution in the solvent; only the insolublesuspended matter-is taken out on the filter. The cleaning solution becomes saturated, often in a short time. From this point on, the dry cleaning solution saturated with salt, sugar and other soluble soils can only transfer soil from one piece of fabric and move it to another.

Redeposition is one of the major problems of the dry cleaner. It is with him daily—particularly when cleaning lighter garments. Many garments going through dry cleaning are dark in color and redeposition does not manifest itself. However, it is there and a worry to the dry cleaner, spotter and

consumer.

What is redeposition? It has been defined as the soil removed from garments that has not been suspended and removed by the detergent. This, unfortunately, is only part of the answer. Research by The Davies-Young Soap Company has determined that redeposition consists of two major classifications. First, the redeposition of soil that has not been removed from the washer by adequate filter circulation. If the soil has not been removed and there are insufficient changes of solvent, soil will redeposit on the garments. This soil can be readily removed by thorough rinsing on the filter. This soil, however, is not the major problem. The big redeposition problem is the loose dye which is removed from the garments being cleaned. This dye, soluble in the solvent, will pass through a filtering medium and return to the washer, adhering to the garments. This type of redeposition can only be removed by harsh treatment such as bleaching or stripping. Obviously, this is not practical to use on garments, except pure whites. Dye redeposition cannot be removed through rinsing.

Where does this dye come from? How does it get into the cleaning bath? Detergents today are built to penetrate the fibers and remove all of the soil possible. While this detergent is acting upon the soil, it also attacks the loose dye contained in all fabrics. Remember, a mixture of different colors of dye will produce a dark gray or black color.

The mixture of these dyes in a drycleaning bath, dissolved by the detergent, is carried through the filtering medium back to the cleaning

This dve adheres to the garments in the bath and redeposition follows. For example, a drycleaning operator using the two bath method of operation where he is not changing the solvent in the wash bath, accumulates a high percentage of loose dye. Garments are then rinsed in a second bath, but this only results in the rinsing of loose soil-that rinses out readily. The drycleaning operator fails to rinse out the dye which adheres to the garments. In a single bath operation, where the cleaning bath is being constantly purified through the addition of new solvent and continuous filtration, which constantly removes loose soil, the drycleaning operator is in a much better position to control this redeposition of dye.

Proof of this operation is simple. Clean a white garment in a two bath operation, where the detergent has been run continuously. Compare it with another white garment cleaned in a single bath operation.

It is true that certain dyes are removed from the garments in a single bath operation as they might be in the two bath operation. However, the removal of dye in a single bath operation is more easily controlled.

The redeposition problem is solved by using the Buckeye  $R_xDR_x$  (redeposition removal) Treatment. The use of Buckeye  $R_xDR_x$  specially treated towels will retain the dye and soluble soil during the cleaning process and prevent redeposition.

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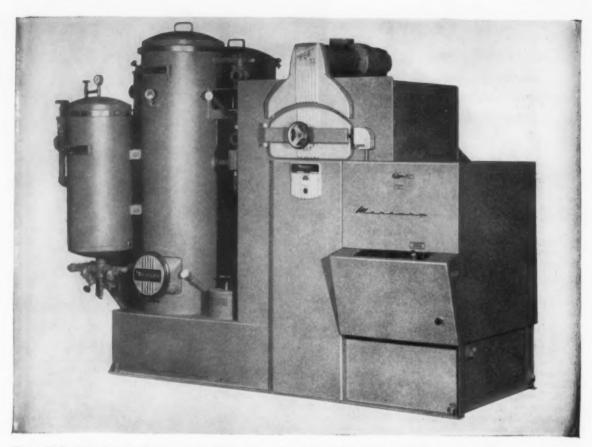
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# Those Who Know— Use Petroleum Solvents

A SURE WAY to determine the benefits of any product is to measure its performance. The performance of petroleum solvents in the drycleaning plant has been measured and remeasured over the years and always comes out on top when all the benefits are totaled.

The basic reason behind any purchase is the benefit expected by the buyer. It would be reasonable to assume, therefore, that a purchase resulting in the largest number of real benefits should be the one selected. When a petroleum drycleaning solvent is selected, benefits result which can be measured by performance.

Since the solvent used determines the type of equipment and, in some cases, the location, its selection is of prime importance and should be given first consideration.

### Solvent vapors

The low toxicity of petroleum solvents eliminates the need for special solvent vapor control. The governmental industrial hygienists have set up threshold limits which are used as guides in the control of health hazards. These guides represent conditions under which it is believed that nearly all workers may be repeatedly exposed without adverse effect.

The limit suggested for perchlorethylene (tetra chlorethylene) is 200 parts of solvent vapor per million parts of air by volume. The limit set for petroleum drycleaning solvents is 500 parts of solvent vapor per million parts of air by volume.

The higher the limit, the lower the toxicity. The difference of 300 parts per million between the two types of solvents is exceptionally important to the person actually doing the cleaning.

The original cost of pertroleum solvents is low enough that there is no practical need for extracting the solvent vapors from the air in order to reduce the cost per pound of garments cleaned. It should be realized also that very little attention is required to maintain petroleum solvent cost at a minimum. This is definitely not true with other solvents.

### New fabrics and finishes

In the last few years we have seen Don't be misled-investigate.

tremendous advances in the textile field. The forecast for 1959 indicates that even more new synthetic fabrics and finishes are coming. The fact that not all of these recent and future developments are designed for all types of drycleaning solvents should help in making a decision as to which solvent should be used.

If a fabric is drycleanable, it can be cleaned in petroleum solvent. This is not always true of other solvents.

# Misleading claims

One of the favorite methods used to promote sales of non-petroleum solvents and equipment is that of testimonial statements praising the greatly improved cleaning and lower labor cost after changing from petroleum solvent. It is most interesting, however, to check the type of equipment which was used and the lack of care given the solvent in the former petroleum plant.

Most cases will reveal that the old plant was outdated. The conventional washer and separate extractor had been in use many years. The time had come when something had to be done. The equipment manufacturer saw the opportunity and immediately expounded the advantages of an automatic washer-extractor unit, quite naturally cashing in on the wide promotion given non-petroleum solvents, in order to meet minimum resistance from the prospect.

The non-petroleum solvent was a decided departure for the experienced petroleum operator, but the claims seemed to justify the change. The new equipment was installed and with automatic controls the cleaner for the first time had some semblance of standardization in his cleaning procedure and, of course, the results were improved cleaning efficiency.

Now, if you consider what would have happened to this same plant had they traded that obsolete equipment for a modern automatic petroleum washer-extractor unit, we believe that you can visualize the same noticeable improvement in quality. The answer in such cases, therefore, is not the superiority of the solvent that allows claims of improved quality and lower costs, but rather the new modern equipment. Don't be misled—investigate.

# Delivery and service

Delivery and service claims made by manufacturers of non-petroleum solvents are rather naive. The average petroleum solvent distributor has years of experience behind him in this matter of delivery and service. If the drycleaner is looking for either specialized delivery equipment or regular dependable service, the petroleum solvent distributor has had both for many years.

### Know-how

We realize from past experience that good drycleaning requires more than just fine equipment and the best petroleum solvents. These, of course, are prime requirements; but good, efficient drycleaning also requires the know-how behind the sale.

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# Person-to-Person



Last month we announced the overseas winners in the recent Spotting Quiz. By a wonderful coincidence, while I was typing the names for the article one of the winners walked into the office. He is Anthony Schewitz of East London, South Africa.

He works for his dad in their plant, Atlas Cleaners, Dyers and Launderers, a very large firm with several hundred employees. Young Anthony is in the States for several months to attend the general and management courses at the National Institute of Drycleaning and to tour plants throughout the country.

Since his winning certificate had not yet been mailed, we had the pleasure of making a personal presentation to him. The photo above records the event.

# **Promotion Time**

There is an old saying among nursery men that the best time to prune is when the shears are sharp. In other words—any time. That same thing applies to promotion of your drycleaning services. This month lends itself particularly to two excellent promotions.

One is National Flag Day, June 14. Even though we have welcomed two new states into the family, the old 48-star flags still can be displayed if they are in good shape. Offer to dryclean these free, on an individual basis or through local service clubs. The NID is behind this, just as we are. It's good public relations.

Speaking of relations, a lot of new ones come into being in this traditional month for wedding bells. Ads placed on the society and women's pages of your local paper can bring you a lot of formal wear business.—Art Schuelke

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# STREAKS-SWALES-RINGS

# eliminated completely by the 2-Bath Method

All charged systems build up with non-volatile impurities which include fatty acids, cholesterol, mineral oil and grease.

When left in the garments these non-volatile impurities result in streaks, swales and spotting rings.

The various types of activated carbon used by drycleaners serve well in controlling the color of the used charge, but are not capable of removing all of the non-volatile impurities which result in streaks, swales and spotting rings.

Distillation completely removes all of these objectionable impurities, but also removes all of the

active detergent in the charge. This places a prohibitive detergent cost on the frequent distillation of charged solvent.

This problem has been solved in over 5000 leading plants by distilling a separate rinse bath instead of the charged bath.

Garments cleaned in this 2-Bath Method are dried after having been rinsed free of excess non-volatile matter. There can be no streaks, swales or spotting rings. And by distilling the rinse solvent instead of the charged solvent, detergent costs are held to a minimum.



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This photograph shows one of STREET'S chemists while conducting a routine analysis of charged solvent. Samples of charge taken from hundreds of plants of all types had this in common: all were contaminated with soluble impurities of the types made above. Regardless of the type or brand of detergent, and regardless of whether it was used in 1, 2 or 4%, the charged solvent built up with these non-volatile impurities which could not be removed in a practical, commercial operation without removing the active ingredient. Anyone observing the results of these tests would readily recognize the advantage in distilling a separate purified rinse, as practiced so successfully in the 2-Bath Method.

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# **NEW PRODUCTS**

# AND LITERATURE

### **Cotton Carnival Time**



The annual Cotton Carnival summer cotton promotion for use through September is again being offered by Signal Chemical Mfg. Co.

Window streamers, radio scripts, newspaper and and direct-mail mats are designed to get cottons and summer washables out of the housewives' washtubs and into drycleaning plants. The Beauty-Tex Cotton Carnival gives cleaners a readymade merchandising program designed to end summer slump. Emphasis is on Beauty-Tex Dry Sizing and Beauty-Tex Water Soluble Sizing.

For more information and a booklet outlining the various merchandising aids available with the purchase of the two new sizings, write Signal Chemical Mfg. Co., 5020 Richmond Rd., Bedford, Ohio.

### **Darco Purification Manual**

A new drycleaning manual has been published by Atlas Powder Company explaining in simple nontechnical language the cause of impurities in solvents and how they may be removed.

The 20-page, 81/2-by-11-inch booklet is printed in two colors and has a How-To-Do-It chart which can be removed and

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for further information will get quickest and most complete attention as a worthwhile inquiry when it's written on your letterhead. Be sure to mention NATIONAL CLEANER a DYER.

removable Daily Dosage chart is also included.

The process of adsorption by activated carbon is explained and illustrated in the Premium Darco Manual, By following instructions in the booklet, even cleaners without special training can check the purity of their solvent using only a clean piece of white cloth, according to the company.

The book explains and illustrates both the preventive and corrective methods of solvent purification. It concludes with a list of the major causes of poor quality drycleaning and the most common filter troubles and what to do about them.

Copies of the manual. The Darco Method for Purifying Modern Drycleaning Baths, are available by writing Chemicals Div., Atlas Powder Company, Wilmington 99, Del.

# Free Wash-and-Wear Program



For the second year a free advertising and publicity program is being made available to help drycleaners meet the challenge of the increasing amount of wash-and-wear garments, it was announced by Bishop David Freeman Co., 1600 Foster St., Evanston, Ill

D. A. Freeman, president of the company, commented that an alarming number of people think wash-and-wear garments cannot be drycleaned and this misconception must be corrected for the public's sake as well as the industry's.

The new promotional material offered by the firm is designed to pull wash-and-wear garments out of home tubs and into drycleaning plants. The promotional material, including

hung in the cleaning room. A colorful posters, stresses supe- is designed to help the owners rior finishing. This, Mr. Freeman explains, will determine more than cleaning how successfully drycleaners can capitalize on wash-and-wear rather than being its victims.

# International Harvester Trucks



A new line of International trucks in the 4,200 to 33,000pound gross vehicle weight range has been introduced by International Harvester Company, according to an announcement by R. M. Buzard, vice-president in charge of the company's Motor Truck Divi-

Designated the B line, the new light, medium and heavyduty trucks are available in four-, six- and all-wheel drive chassis, with six-cylinder or V-8 engines and a choice of conventional and compact design mod-

Mr. Buzard also noted that new frames to provide greater strength and stability are featured in certain light- and medium-duty models, and new styling combines modern appearance with functional truck design to minimize maintenance and repair costs.

For the multistop delivery field, International offers an expanded line of forward-control chassis with factory-installed Metro bodies ranging in capacity from 200 to 724 cubic feet. Factory-installed bodies in Metro, Metroette, Metro Van and Metro-Lite designs are featured in varying lengths.

For more information write International Harvester Company, 180 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 1, Ill.

### **Drycleaning Automation** Book

A 42-page book outlining the growth of the drycleaning industry has been published by Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company. Entitled "Drycleaning: Acci-

dent to Automation," the book

of the 30,000 drycleaning establishments in the United States understand the use and need for automatic controls in the industry. It includes: a brief history of drycleaning; a comparison of basic petroleum and synthetic solvent plants; a section on the importance of relative humidity and temperature in drycleaning; a description of modern automatic controls for many drycleaning operations, and a glossary of terms, equipment and processes used by the industry.

Copies of the book may be obtained free by writing to Minneapolis-Honeywell Merchandising Department, 2747 Fourth Ave. S., Minneapolis 8, Minn.

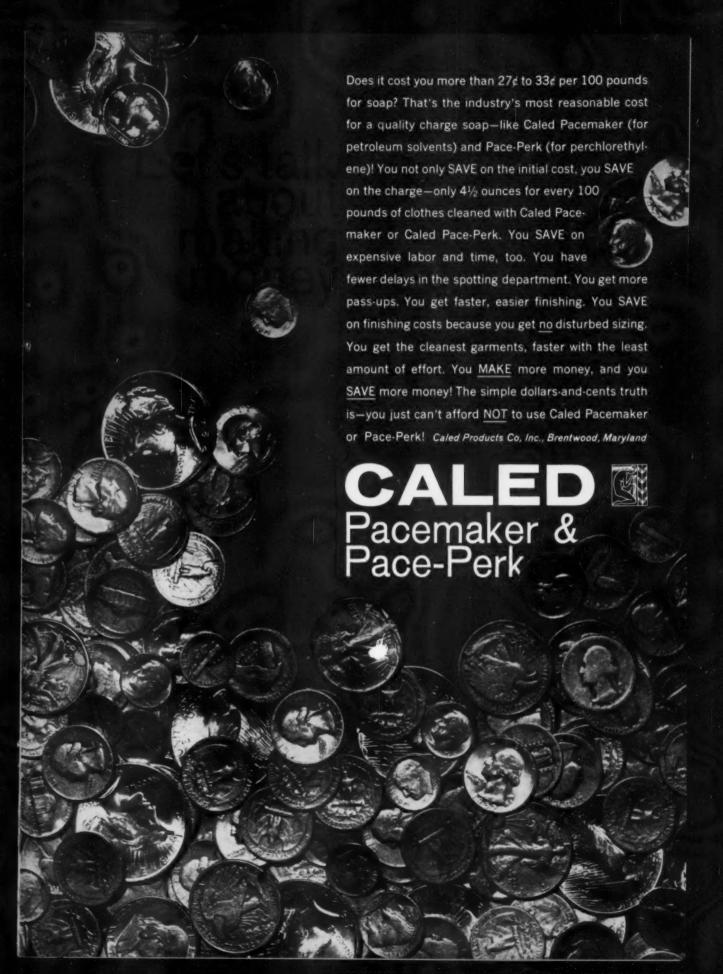
# Hoffman Presses Re-engineered



A new line of Hoffman garment presses has been introduced by W. H. Nicholson & Co., with air power replacing the conventional hydraulic cylinder in all the new models.

One air cylinder acts horizontally to bring the head down in the soft-press position and pressure cannot be applied while hands are on the buck. A second air cylinder locks the depressed head in position under pressure. The manufacturer points out that the head is cushioned by double-action shock absorbers and fits into place smoothly, releases quickly and quietly without jar or bounce. The lever system is incorporated.

Good maintenance and durability are said to be promoted by elimination of leakage and of the consequent rust and corrosion often associated with hydraulic power operation. The Nicholson N-125 steam trap is standard equipment on all models and all are equipped with



a new positive-action control valve.

The maker points out that warp-free construction is featured throughout, heads are unwelded, unit-cast of special aluminum alloy, and frame and bucks are of cast iron.

For further information write Air Presses, Hoffman Machinery Division, W. H. Nicholson & Co., 12 Oregon St., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

# **Preen Brightening Agent**



A brightening agent for drycleaned fabrics has been announced by Tower Chemicals, Inc. Called Preen, it is said not only to give fabrics a cleaner, brighter and fresher look but to restore brightness to faded fab-

Preen is also claimed to add cleaning effectiveness to all types of soaps and to eliminate the sizing bath on most fabrics, especially lightweight clothes. The maker adds that Preen will give clothes a soft luxuriant body and reduce lint and static electricity problems 90 to 100 percent. In addition, it is said to prevent the fading of pastel colors, particularly draperies which are exposed to sunlight.

Each 5-gallon drum is equipped with a handy 1-ounce dispenser as well as a pouring

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The maker notes that the highly decorative aspects of the hangers make them ideal for use as self-liquidators with furs, wedding gowns, evening dresses and other prestige services where the tasteful feminine touch is so valuable. Glamor Hangers have been used to announce new plant and store openings, to introduce new services, and as volume build-

The hangers, made of anodized, large-diameter aluminum alloy rod, are said to reduce creases and offer long life under heavier loads. They take snap-on guards for use with trousers.

Glamor Hangers are sold in single or mixed color combinations by the dozen. They may be stamped with the cleaner's name or a message.

For more information write Keyes-Davis Company, P. O. Box 155, 74 14th St., Battle Creek, Mich.

# **Dry-Storage Units**



Two dry-storage package units—models DS-100 and DS-50—have been introduced by Reliable Machine Works, Inc.

According to company officials, both units are completely self-contained and are installed with necessary duct work. They feature plug-in operation, automatic dehumidification, powered and filtered ventilation and thorough fumigation.

Model DS-100 is designed to service areas up to 10,000 cubic feet and is said to be the only self-contained package unit with preset, full-cycle, automatic push-button controls for dehumidifying, fumigating and ventilating as well as ultraviolet air purification.

Model DS-50 (illustrated) is equipped to service areas up to 5,000 cubic feet, the manufacturer states. Other features are similar to the DS-100. The DS-100 is 60 inches high, 18 inches deep and 32 inches wide. The unit has a 110-volt, 60-cycle, single-phase electrical system and a hermetically sealed air-cooled compressor. It has two ½ hp. high-velocity blowers and automatic reset buttons for protection against motor overloads. The DS-50 is similar with measurements of 42 by 16 by 28 inches respectively.

For further information write

For further information write Harold Friedman, Sales Manager, Reliable Machine Works, Inc., 238 Eagle St., Brooklyn 22, N. Y.

# **New Accounting Machine**



The newest machine in National Cash Register's line of accounting equipment has been introduced as the Class 31A, now available in 23 different models with and without a built-in electric typewriter.

Five important features cited by NCR in its latest addition are: electrically controlled mechanisms for determining and initiating the proper posting program for automatic machine operations; automatic totaling, subtotaling, repeat or date printing, etc., as the carriage moves either forward or in reverse: increased number of automatic selections for both forward and reverse carriage tabulations; ability to capture data automatically in either punched paper tape or punched card form as a direct by-product of the original posting operation; completely new styling, including a streamlined cabinet and stand

For further information write Product Information, The National Cash Register Company, Main & K Sts., Dayton 9, Ohio.

### Style Conversion Specialty

A service available to drycleaners for the convenience of fashion-conscious male customers is the conversion of doublebreasted suits, overcoats and tuxedos to single-breasted in the modern, narrow-lapel style. Complete instructions are provided by Nu-Way Tailors to assure proper fit. Choice of fronts on overcoats and suits and choice of lapels and buttons are available.

Further details may be obtained from Nu-Way Tailors, 119-10 Merrick Blvd., Jamaica 34, N. Y.

### **New Warco Products**



Warco Laboratories, Inc., has introduced Vinyl-Size, a watersoluble sizing especially compounded for the textile maintenance industry.

Vinyl-Size can be used, according to the maker, in spray or immersion-type applications and is said to impart a texture and hand to garments resulting in a more lustrous and beautiful fabric. It is said to be water-safe for all colors and fabrics and to produce sharper colors and appearance to desized garments.

Warco has also introduced a new bleaching agent, Activated Perborate, for wools, silks and protein-type materials. Activated Perborate is an oxidizing bleach, completing the line of Warco bleaches. An activating agent, Warco DWA-58, has been added and is said to offer more penetration and bleaching action with a high oxygen content.

For more information write Warco Laboratories, 13609 S. Normandie Ave., Gardena, Calif.

### **New Railex Brochure**

The 1959 brochure of The Railex Corp., offering information on the new line of Railex electrically operated conveyor systems, is now available, the company has announced.

The six-page booklet lists full specifications and sizes available in standard storage racks, floor-to-ceiling models, shirt-bin and combination models. The complete line of controls, including the Robot-Matic Dial Selector, is illustrated.

For a copy of the catalog write The Railex Corp., 634 Dean St., Brooklyn 38, N. Y. Continued on page 90

# Cinderella Makes Bigger Profits and Expands Business by Switching from Petroleum to Synthetic—says Mr. E. Shoemaker...

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These are facts. In terms of drycleaning equipment alone, this plant
has invested some \$52,000 during
the past few years.

has been spent at Cinderella in the
total new equipment program for
the entire plant. Some examples are
the evaporative air conditioning system installed in the finishing department and the same kind of comfort
conditioning put into the shirt finishing section. Soon, marking, assembly and other departments will be

air-conditioned.

In the drycleaning department's revitalization, the low factor to look at is
the sharp switch from petroleum to synthe sharp switch from petroleum to synthetic solvent. And Cinderella is
true high volume operation, something
every medium to large plant should
remember when considering any inremember when considering any in-

vestment in drycleaning machinery.

Cinderella's new equipment includes a 50 pound unit and one with a capacity of 120 pounds per load. Special processes along with the cleaning cycle have been equipped with temperature controls for heating and cooling. These features are regarded as absolutely assential by installed a vapor adsorber, getting from 24,000 to 25,000 pounds of cleaning per one drum of solvent. Remember, these are facts.

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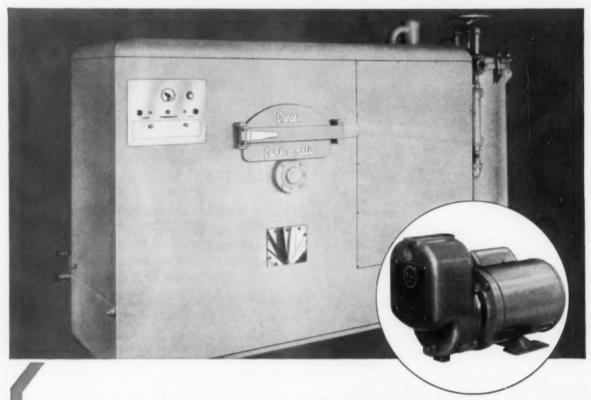
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# **BUSINESS BUILDERS**

# Glass-Fronted Call Office Draws Attention



An all-glass plant frontage, 60 feet long, permits a view of the call office of Biel's Cleaners, Fullerton, California, and the two garment conveyor racks which have a capacity of 500 garments. Above the call office front is a 4-foot-wide aluminum awning. A

flower box 1½ feet wide, faced with Perma-stone, extends along the front for a distance of 50 feet. Tropical plants predominate since they are green the year 'round, although a few flowers are included for color from time to time.

# Window Display Spells "Professionalism"



Irv Hackerman, proprietor of D. Hackerman Cleaners in Pikesville, Maryland, is currently exhibiting at his store a tastefully executed window display that has a solid, institutional approach. With the theme "Your Clothes Best Friend is Hackerman's" (a switch on the standard NID slogan), the firm's cleaning and repairing services are played up.

The balance of the display emphasizes Hackerman's membership in the National Institute of Drycleaning and signs offer the NID booklet "Never Lovelier." Also shown is a rather complete line of spotting chemicals to impart the professional aspect to the firm's promotion.

# Cleans for (Cotton) Royalty

Last month, for the twenty-ninth consecutive year, Kraus Cleaners of Memphis, Tenn., played the role of valet to the "rulers" of that fair city. This year's royal pair, shown below, were actually George W. Humphreys (left) and Axson Brown, King and Queen of the 1959 Cotton Carnival, an event celebrated annually in Memphis.



Beginning a few days before the Carnival's opening on May 12 and extending past the closing date of May 16, Kraus Cleaners—as usual—assigned a sales supervisor to handle cleaning of the entire cotton wardrobe of the reigning couple. Because of the numerous appearances made by "Their Majesties" during Carnival week, both indoors and out, their elaborate cotton costumes needed constant care from Kraus. During the course of these annual events, the cleaning bill for the King and Queen has run as high as \$200.

### Discount Club

Here is how one cleaner offers reduced prices without losing control of the situation. Bell Paris Cleaners and Dyers of Portland, Oregon, has formed an exclusive club of preferred customers and prospects.

Members in good standing are entitled to special rates on a standard cleaning and finishing job of six different "bread and butter" items. What makes them members is the payment of an annual \$2 fee for which they receive a membership card to the club. A brochure explains the service and lists prices.

These cards are sold by the route salesmen and counter girls. The plan receives little publicity, thus protecting the plant as a quality operation to the general public. The regular work is a de luxe service at premium prices.

According to the plant, this provides a means of stimulating business without gaining the dubious reputation of being price cutters. Furthermore, as volume in the "standard" service increases, the special promotion can be soft-pedaled until the need for it is felt necessary. Both route and counter sales personnel constantly try to sell these members "up" on the better service, especially for their nicer garments.

# Free Offer Brings 340 Flags

Many drycleaners around the nation offer to clean flags free of charge for the Memorial Day, Flag Day and July 4 holidays for patriotic reasons, but the twin motives of increased goodwill and publicity lurk close behind.

One cleaner who hit the jackpot last year in every respect was James Chaikin of Acme Cleaners in Wilmington, Delaware. He advertised the offer and got an unexpected response—340 flags in one batch from the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce. Although the Chamber offered to pay at least half the cost of cleaning, Mr. Chaikin insisted on standing behind his advertised offer.

The job tied up Acme's facilities for nearly a day but the payoff came when this story received front-page coverage in the local Journal-Every Evening. The two-column three-inch story was well worth all the trouble Acme went to in cleaning the flags.

### **Want More Business?**



Gore's "Comet" Cleaners, an activated drive-in branch of Gore's main plant in Beaumont, Texas, was in the market for as much business as possible after opening last summer.

One of the ways management went after added volume was the use of button tags requesting customers to recommend the firm to their friends. What's different about this particular pitch is its personalized nature. The informal message is signed by "Emma" and "Barbara," the two counter girls at the branch.

# **Doll Promotion**

A recent drycleaning promotion featured premiums in the form of beautiful little dolls that cost \$1.10 each. One doll was given for each \$25



in drycleaning. These dolls, each in a clear plastic container, made an eyecatching display on top of the partition behind the counter.

Plantowner Max Biel of Biel's Cleaners, Fullerton, California, pronounced the promotion a great success.



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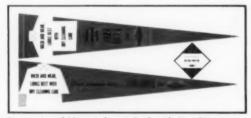
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# **GADGETS** and **GIMMICKS**

# **Box Storage Rack**



Here is a novel arrangement that speeds up service on box storage orders. Cinderella Cleaners of Richmond, Virginia, converted an ordinary pants rack by taking off the center rods and increasing the height of the rack by some 18 inches. This was done by using two pipe nipples, which were joined together by another length of pipe across the top.

As customers call for their orders, the box is placed on the bottom of the rack and wheeled into position behind the finisher. When each piece is finished, it is placed on the crossbar. After the garments in the box are completely processed, the presser pins the invoice on the garment at the far right as she faces the rack.

It practically eliminates any assembly. All that the operator has to do is check to make certain the order is complete and intact. The plant has used this idea for the past couple of years with great success.

# Spotting and Finishing Aids

A water-soluble sizing, used right in the cleaning wheel, has worked well for Puritan Cleaners of Stamford, Conn. This report comes from Bernie and George Goldberg, brother-owners of this plant.

After the normal cleaning cycle, the dress loads are run for 5 minutes off the filter. The sizing, which is stored in a small tank, is injected into the load under air pressure. The tank has a feed line connected to the bottom of the washer by means of copper tubing. About 12 ounces of sizing are added to a 50-pound load, within the first minute of the batch run. The

cost is about 1 cent per pound of garments processed.

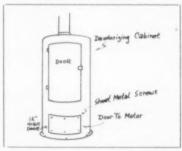
The owners claim the sizing is picked up in varying amounts, depending upon the needs of the various fabrics. Wools, for example, do not absorb any, so they state.

Their spotting has been helped by the use of an oily-type paint, grease, oil and lipstick remover. They especially like what it does on so-called permanent lipstick. They say their previous product used to remove the oil and grease from the lipstick, but not the dye. This required wetcleaning, and generally bleaching. The product they now use takes out the dye on the dry side, eliminating two operations.

Recently they ran into a lipstick load from the tumbler. The dresses were put back into the petroleum washer and a half gallon of the product was added to the solvent.

After a 20-minute batch run, practically every garment in the 50-pound load was satisfactory. Only a few pieces required extra spotting. It wasn't necessary to drop the solvent in the washer to the dump tank after this treatment. The additive didn't create any filter pressure, they state.

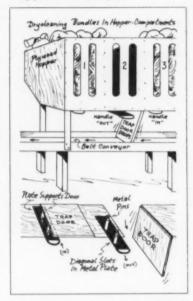
# **Access to Cabinet Motor**



Faster servicing of a deodorizing cabinet was the need of one drycleaner. He got tired of having to take apart the piping and lay the cylindershaped cabinet on the floor everytime something went wrong with the motor. He simply cut a foot-high opening across the front, below the door, and covered it with a slightly larger piece of metal. Sheet-metal screws hold the door in place, and are easily removed as needed for making adjustments or repairs.

A new cabinet, soon to be installed, will have an extrafancy door of the same type. The plantowner plans to cut a section off the door on the old cabinet and use it for that purpose after he cuts an opening in the front of the new cabinet.

# **Hopper to Conveyor**



Here is how one cleaner pretty well insures the first-in, first-out schedule for incoming drycleaning orders. A big plywood hopper is positioned over an endless belt conveyor leading to the markers' station. Bins in this partitioned hopper are numbered and both loading and emptying are done in numerical sequence . . . and the routemen are kept happy. A pair of 3-inchwide vertical slots in the front of each compartment allow good ventilation and also show at a glance the amount of bundles in each bin.

Each bin is equipped with an individual trapdoor hinged on the underside of the hopper. The front end of each door rests on a metal plate which, when pulled forward, allows the door to drop down and dump the bundles on the conveyor belt.

The holding plates are quite simple in design. Two parallel slots are cut in each plate at an angle of about 45 degrees, each with a big-headed bolt to guide it. The slots permit a tug on the handle-end to move the plate sideways and forward at the same time. This pull slides the plate out from under the trapdoor so the bundles can drop onto the conveyor.

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# SIGNS of the TIMES

Flag Day Offer: To encourage Americans to fly flags on Flag Day, June 14, many of the nation's 34,000 drycleaners will again dryclean American flags without charge between June 1 and 12. The drycleaners only ask that their customers fly the drycleaned flag on Flag Day and other appropriate occasions.

A National Institute of Drycleaning newsletter points out that the offer is part of an annual program sponsored jointly by the Institute and the American Legion. Participating drycleaners will display a red, white and blue poster telling of the offer. This is the sixth year the industry has participat-

ed in the movement.

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To Honor Route Salesmen: Approximately 120 laundry and cleaning industry route salesmen representing 13 Long Island, N. Y., plants will compete for the coveted industry "Distinguished Salesman" award, the symbol of outstanding salesmanship. The award will be given by the Long Island Industry Award Committee, a trade group made up of the major laundry and cleaning plants on Long Island.

Gold "Oscar" statuettes are to be given to the outstanding salesman in each plant at the annual presentation ceremony to be held early in the spring of 1960. The winners and their wives will be guests at the D. S. A. banquet, and the men will receive their recognition awards before an expected audience of 300 representatives of the industry.

Runners-up will be honored with certificates of merit at the ceremony, which will be followed by entertain-

ment and dancing.

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New York Lien Bill Vetoed: For the third stime in New York State a bill to amend the existing lien law to provide special lien and enforcement procedure for drycleaners, dyers and launderers has been disapproved. The New York State Launderers & Cleaners Association, Inc., announced the veto of the bill by Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller in a recent issue of The Empire Statesman.

In turning down the bill Governor Rockefeller noted, "If there is a need for a simplified, inexpensive method for the enforcement of claims for reasonable charges, general amendments may appropriately be made to Article 9 of the Lien Law to provide such a procedure."

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Detergent Research: A possible new identification of the cause of "tattletale gray" has been suggested by electron microscope research as described recently at the 135th national meeting of the American Chemical Society in Boston

William C. Powe, associate research chemist with the Whirlpool Corporation, noted that although the gradual development of a dingy appearance in white garments has in the past been attributed to soot (mostly carbon in composition) new microscopic study leads researchers now to think it is clay.

After explaining the composition of both soot and clay, and the differences in their appearance as microscopic particles, Mr. Powe told the Society that development of new and better detergents may now be necessary as most detergents have previously been measured for their ability to remove carbon black.

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Measuring Management: Small Marketers Aids Bulletin No. 39 has been released by the Small Business Administration, Washington 25, D. C. Written to assist in the selection of management personnel, the bulletin deals separately with the many characteristics which should be sought in a successful small retail store manager. Copies of the bulletin are available free from field offices and Washington headquarters of the Small Business Administration.

# #

Book of Safety Talks: Another in the series of "Five-Minute Safety Talks for Foremen" has been published by the National Safety Council.

Written by a foreman, Book 9 contains 52 talks, one for each week of the year. Subjects range from "Mind Your Own Business" and "Never Too Wise or Too Old to Learn" to "The Wild Machine." According to the Council the book is a proven training method that holds listener interest and sells safety.

Further information on Book 9 and quantity prices may be obtained from the National Safety Council, 425 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, Ill.

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Movie Treat for Club: The Nassau Beach Cleaners of Far Rockaway, N. Y., planned a treat for some 1,000 members of the Golden Age Movie Club for persons over the age of 60. The cleaning firm arranged for them to attend, admission free, a showing of "The Old Man and the Sea" at a Far Rockaway theater. The club ordinarily entitles the 60-plus age group to reduced admission at many theaters.

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Public Service: Quantities of white cloth, collected in Branford, Conn., for use as cancer dressings, were sterilized by the local Lion Cleaners and Martinizing Cleaners. The cloth was collected at the town's firehouses recently in the drive sponsored by the American Cancer Society.

Members of the Greater Akron (Ohio) Dry Cleaners Institute placed cards in cleaned garments reminding owners to donate a pint of blood to the Red Cross. It was expected that some 50,000 garments would carry the cards during the campaign.

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Consumer Education: Approximately 150 women attended the Short Course for Homemakers at the Fremont, Ohio, American Legion Home recently. The featured speaker was Charles Truxal of the Ohio Dry Cleaners' Association. He addressed the group on today's fabrics, using examples of garments damaged during drycleaning to illustrate his talk. The meeting was sponsored by the Home Council and County Farm Bureau Federation.

The Business and Professional Women's Club of Norwich, N. Y., recently held a dinner meeting with Herbert Morrell as guest speaker. Mr. Morrell is the new proprietor of Norwich Dry Cleaning. He spoke on various fabrics and showed films to illustrate his points.

A group of students from Barrie (Ontario) Central Collegiate recently toured the plant of Nu-Service Clean-

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# It's Up to You

Never before have drycleaners had such an opportunity to cash in on wash-and-wear. In the first place, there's more of it around than ever before. The potential is greater.

More important, the consumer has come to look upon extravagant claims of clothing manufacturers with a jaundiced eye. A recent survey on "washable" men's summer suits revealed that "neatness retention" was more of a purchasing influence than washability.

Leading fashion editors are telling their readers of some of the problems that such garments present. They are pointing up the confusion between hand-washables, drip-dries, the machine washables that must be drip-dried and those automatic washand-wears.

They are pointing out that spots must be worked out beforehand, that merely hanging these garments to dry takes a special technique. Even the clothing manufacturers are seeing the light and inserting labels stating that such garments are drycleanable.

A recent clinic held in Chicago and attended by some 600 drycleaners told them of the impact a drycleaning commercial on television had. E. I. du Pont de Nemours reported that a three-minute commercial on its December Show of the Month was recalled by 73 percent of people surveyed following the show. This, as opposed to the average recall of only 52 percent who saw other commercials on this same show.

That same commercial was repeated on the May 25th program. That firm and many other suppliers in our field offer you window streamers, display cards and other point-of-sale aids to help build your volume, through aggressive, positive advertising. This seeming threat to your business can be turned to an advantage. It's up to you.

Various safety organizations send us literature from time to time to remind us all of the danger and costs of accidents. A recent report concerning traffic fatalities and injuries was shocking.

In 1958 we Americans managed to barrel our way to 2,800,000 injured and dead. Of this total there were 36,700 deaths. Since the automobile first appeared on the American scene there has been the staggering total of more than 60,000,000 in the ranks of dead and injured.

From all appearances 1959 will follow the same pattern. Statis-

tics, slogans and pledges do not seem to change us. Something more is needed if we are to reverse the trend.

Next time you have the temptation to bear down a little harder; to beat the darkness home; to test your reflexes when they are dulled by sleep or alcohol; to jaywalk on crowded streets; to forget caution when weather and road conditions are bad—remind yourself that you are asking for membership as a statistic.

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# Can the Large Central Plant Survive?

Prosperity says <u>YES</u>... even in the face of the small-plant trend... and tells how it combatted decentralization

By ART SCHUELKE -

Astoria, Long Island, New York, has undergone the same trends as any other metropolitan market. In the early days there were press shops whose work was done by large wholesale plants. This type of business predominated.

Then came the large chain drycleaner (such as Prosperity Service Stores). This type of plant does a large volume of work in a main factory for many outlets.

Since the war the big switch has been

to the "package plant." In many cases the on-the-premises cleaner is taking over the prominent position of the chain operator.

That is the situation Prosperity found itself facing. The accompanying article tells what sound management did, successfully, to buck the trend. What they did is of interest to every progressive cleaner, regardless of size. The principles behind what they accomplished are the same for the large plant and the small plant alike.



JUST ABOUT four years ago, the management of Prosperity Service Stores, Inc., Astoria, New York, was at the crossroads. Competition from package plants and decentralized operations was definitely cutting its profits.

The plant was aware of the problem some years before that. Before the Big Decision it opened two package plants of its own. And while they are both doing well, they aren't the whole answer for this particular plant, for many reasons.

First, capital investment and operating expenses are way out of line in comparison with the main plant. Production is below the main plant norm which has people specializing in finishing certain garments. The package plant personnel has to be more versatile, and can't build up the pace that repetitive movements accomplish.

The package plants involve absentee management. Supply costs, house-keeping and even quality are more difficult to keep in line.

Speaking of quality, it is exceptionally good here in spite of the fact that it sells services at "popular prices" of 75 cents for suits and dresses and 45 cents for half pieces. Cleaning and finishing are good and free repairs are taken care of, too. Seam rips, missing buttons and broken cuff-tacking are all repaired as a regular part of the job.

Management here further felt that the package plant involved greater risks than branch stores. Stores that are not doing well can be closed and moved to a better location with a minimum investment.

Still, something had to be done about the main plant because of the inroads of competition. If they were to hold the line on prices and still deliver a quality job, with fast service, changes had to be made. More efficient production methods and management techniques were in order.

# **Extent of operation**

How to bring this about was no overnight decision. Prosperity Service Stores has an annual payroll of over \$1,000,000. The firm employs from 425 to 450 people, depending upon the season. Of these some 225 to 250 are production employees; the remainder sales personnel.

The firm operates 92 stores plus the two package plants. The entire operation is located on Long Island. The firm caters to that part of a mass market of 3,000,000 people that wants to buy popular-priced cleaning. With an operation this huge, any decision to change equipment or layout or to institute new methods obviously involves large amounts of money.

After careful consideration, the management decided upon a two-pronged course of action: first, to modernize the plant, and second, to get outside consultation to review management efficiency and methods.

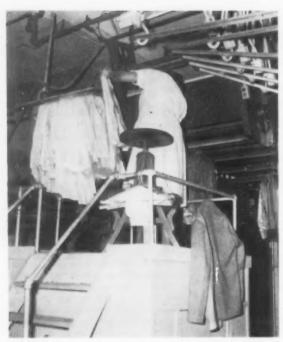
The plan for modernization was spread over a four-year period, just recently completed. Total costs for improvements came to \$400,000, with some \$100,000 of this for the cleaning room alone!

We will go through a step-by-step procedure to show how the physical changes and their results came about, as well as how management thinking was changed during the program. While the vast expenditures and tremendous changes are much larger than would ever be used by the average plant, still the principles that

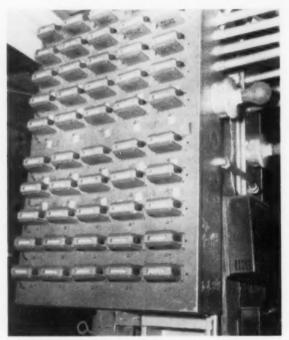




Firm first tried package plants, but found this wasn't the whole answer to its problems. Instead, it modernized the large central plant, installed new systems . . . and the investment is paying off



Segregating rails, where work is conveyed automatically to separate storage rails for each branch store



A plane wire is tripped to record exact number of pieces going to each store via segregating device



Another view shows how garments are segregated, then stored

lie behind the program can be applied by any drycleaner.

In order to compete with the package plants—from a service angle—the plant had to offer one-day service. And one of the costly bottlenecks existed in the shipping department. A conveyor was installed to carry the work to the shipping department as it came off each press line.

At this point two automatic segregators were installed. Each is operated by one girl, who segregates the work up to as many as 50 separate rails. It is fed to them by another girl who divides it up by store numbers that are under the control of the two girls.

As the work is fed onto the rails, it is conveyed to the proper store rail, where it drops off. The store rails are

Counter girls are trained on a time schedule at Prosperity. Turn to pages 30-31 to see the chart they employ.

positioned perpendicular to the feed conveyor rails. As a result of this procedure and setup, the three girls do the work formerly handled by eight or nine. And they do it faster and more accurately.

As part and parcel of this change, the finishing department was completely revamped. All work is now handled at individual stations with through-the-unit production, except

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# First Week - Training Guide

| Date Started         | StoreTran | is, to Store Tre | ons, to Store                           |
|----------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| ist Week Completed o | n         |                  | *************************************** |
| Date                 | Date      | Date             | Date                                    |
| and                  | and       | and              | and                                     |
| Initial              | Initial   | Initial          | Initial                                 |
| of                   | of        | of               | of                                      |
| Instructor           | Examiner  | Instructor       | Examiner                                |
| Gene                 | ral       | Balance of Ore   | der Comes in BL                         |

| General                 |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
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| Manual as Guide         | ********  |
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|                          | 12          |
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| (Dye Sec.)               |             |
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|----------|-----|------|--------|---------|
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.....Bagging Bedlinens

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# Shipment - Bed Linens

| Compl | ote | Orders | BI1 |
|-------|-----|--------|-----|

# PROSPERITY

# **Personnel Report**

| Name                                    | ******* |
|---|---------|
| SS                                      |         |
| Store Date Started                      | ******  |
| D of R DM                               | ******  |
| Age M S                                 | D ST    |
| Children Dependents                     |         |
| Address                                 |         |
| Living with                             | ****    |
| Town Phone                              |         |
| Years of Gram. School High Other        | ьт      |
| Is Diction Acceptable                   | ******  |
| Is Writing Legible                      |         |
| Is Appearance Neat                      |         |
| Does she answer questions intelligently |         |
|   |         |

# D. M. Fill Out Proper Forms

| Bond        | ************* | Withhol  | ding |  |
|-------------|---------------|----------|------|--|
| Application | n             | Unio     | on   |  |
| Insurance   | *******       | . File C | ard  |  |

# Does Trainee Understand and Accept Following

### (D. M.: Explain Thoroughly)

| Duties of the Job                  |
|------------------------------------|
| Size of Company                    |
| Future Career                      |
| Customer Relation                  |
| Work Near Home                     |
| Peep Club                          |
| Starting Salary Automatic Increase |
| Weekly Bonuses Contest Earnings    |
| 10% Discount (Cash Control)        |
| Payroll—Week                       |
| Promotion and Merit Increases      |
| Vacations Paid Holidays            |
| Insurance Sick Benefits            |
| Hospitalization Operations         |

# Union..... Dues...... Initiation..... Company Dinners & Outings ..... Company Pictures ..... Trainee Sched,...... Alternating Sched..... Importance of Attendance ..... Procedure to follow when absent or late Phone before 7:30 A.M. ..... No Smoking Rules ..... Personal Appearance ..... Importance of-Courtesy ..... Sales Effort..... Mechanicals.... Housekeeping...... Bulletins...... Attendance...... Key..... Cash Shortages ..... We base promotions and increases on above factors, and length of service is secondary. This report is submitted and certified to by: I hereby accept responsibility of cash collections made on behalf of Prosperity Service Stores, Inc. and authorize the

company to deduct from my salary checks any cash shortages I may incur, and/or for any store key I misplace.

> Signed Date

# WHEN ABSENT OR LATE

Phone Personnel Dept., AS 4-0300, at least 30 minutes before opening time On Saturday after 1:00-A5 4-0304

# Second Wook - Training Guide

| Date Started       | Store Tran | is, to Store Trans. to                  | Store      |
|--------------------|------------|---|------------|
| 2nd Week Completed | on         | *************************************** |            |
| Date               | Date       | Date                                    | Date       |
| and                | and        | and                                     | and        |
| Initial            | Initial    | Initial                                 | Initial    |
| of                 | ef         | of                                      | of         |
| Instructor         | Examiner   | Instructor                              | Examine    |
| COUNTER -          | INCOMING   | Use of Circulars                        | ********   |
| Prices             | 5-6        | Premium Display                         | ********** |
| Salar Backs D.     |            | Premium Control                         | *********  |

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| BeltsPress Only          | 16a        |

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.....24 Hr. Search

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|----------------------|------------|
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|--------|---------|---------|----|
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# **ORCHID SERVICE**

(Free Premiums) ..

.....Store Personnel

| Explanation      | **********   |
|------------------|--------------|
| Bagging          | *********    |
| Prices           | *********    |
| Service          | ************ |
| Quality          | ********     |
| Delays           | ********     |
| Quality Reports  | ********     |
| Bagging Procedur | e            |
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| (By D. M. or F. D.      | only)         |
| I,                      | have asked    |
| and she has scored%     |               |
| Passed                  |               |
| Requires Addition       | al Training 🗌 |
| Responsibility of Key.  |               |
| Responsibility of Cash. |               |
| Setting of Alarm.       |               |

District Manager .... Before this last week's Training Guide is turned in be certain that the following papers are turned in.

Questionnaire..... 1st Week Guide..... Personal Rep....

Putting up Signs.

Accordingly she is ready and capable to be promoted to the position of Assistant Manager as of this date, ....

Promotion Certification by ...







Silk unit is completely equipped, down to water spray guns

Continued from page 28 in the trouser department. Here two girls work as a team. One tops; the other legs.

All presses were replaced by airdriven ones in the pants department. The vacuum lines were enlarged. A whole new lighting arrangement was installed for better illumination. Twotube fluorescent fixtures provide strip lighting the length of the department.

Now, in the pants department, production has jumped from 37 to 50 pieces per operator hour. Similar gains were made in the coat department and the silk finishing section. Steamair finishers were added to the coat section. The silk units were made into individually operated setups, with flap-head puff irons and steam-air finishers supplementing the presses.

Over-all, an increase of better than 10 percent in production resulted. The employees are making more money through greater productivitythe sensible way. Incentives have helped, but better equipment and environment have played a big part, too.

To get this work away from each work station faster, new slickrails were installed. The finished work is placed on a short rail which feeds into the main express rail that goes to the end of the aisle. Roving inspectors check the work right at the work station, and keep a count of each worker's output.

The work then is slid onto the express rail, down to the end of the aisle where it is dropped onto the conveyor to the shipping department. At this point, the girl acting as "breaker" divides the garments by store numbers for the two girls operating the segregators previously mentioned.

Here is an interesting point. Across each store rail there is a fine piano wire. As the hangers slide past the wire, an individual store counter is tripped. Thus a constant record is kept of hourly and daily production. An electric eye has also been installed to double-check the counters.

### Count guides management

This tells management many things. First is the hourly production rate. Second, it can be quickly determined what the income per piece is running -a vital figure. This is done by dividing the number of hangers that pass through the counter against the

The plant uses a formula that makes sense. Income per piece and pieces per operator hour and the hourly rate of pay determine the cost. And it doesn't have to wait until tomorrow or next week to see where it stands. A master counting device is located in the office of John Pardi, president of the firm. He or his management team can check at any hour of the day on production without leaving the office.

Hourly and daily production figures are vital to any plant, and particularly so here. It produces an average of 75,000 pieces of drycleaning, 75,000 shirts and between 45,000 and 55,000 pieces of flatwork weekly. Even slight increases or decreases in hourly output represent many dollars. So the counter is an important tool for man-

It's typical of the way this firm is run. For another example, Prosperity has been laundering and finishing men's dress shirts since 1933. It was the first cleaner to install a flatwork department. Both sidelines represent a good portion of the firm's sales.

The flatwork department handles four basic items. Sheets at 15 cents, pillowcases at 7 cents, mattress covers and plain luncheon cloths at 30 cents are all that are handled. Shirts cost three for 54 cents or 19 cents each. Just as in the drycleaning department the laundry quality is excellent.

Modernization was carried on in both of these sideline departments. There are two flatwork ironers and both have been equipped with spreaders and automatic folders.

The shirt finishing department used conventional equipment with manually operated folders. Four girls to each unit were producing 135 shirts an hour. Modernization here resulted in a conversion to cabinet sleevers and cabinet bosom presses plus fully automatic folding tables which produce the semi-flat collar. Instead of four, there are now three girls to a unit, and they are turning out 145 pieces per hour on the average.

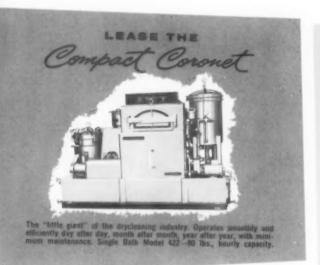
There are 17 such units now in operation, so the savings are substantial. In addition the firm does a large volume of boys' shirts and ladies' blouses (better than 6,500 a week).

Until recently it wasn't possible to finish these on the cabinet bosom press. They had to use conventional equipment in a sort of makeshift operation. Quality here was not up to

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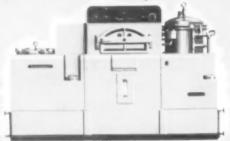


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John Pardi is Active In NID: His Company in Varsity Group

While Prosperity's recent fouryear, \$400,000 modernization program included some radical ideas, by industry standards, this firm has always been progressive. It has been operating its own shirt laundry since 1933, for example.

For the past seven years Prosperity has been a member of the internationally famous Varsity group. This select band of drycleaners ranges in number from 13 to 20, with some 17 plants presently making up the organization.

There is no guarantee on continuing membership for any plant. At their annual meetings each is required to submit a paper on outstanding achievements during the past year. Unless the paper is significant and provides stimulating ideas for the others the plant will be dropped from the "club." Seven consecutive years of membership attest to the fact that Prosperity is progressive and is contributing to the group.

John Pardi is a long-time member of the National Institute of Drycleaning and has just finished serving as a district director.

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the plant's high standards. Production was about 35 pieces per hour. Then they installed two cabinet units with special small bucks. Production jumped to 75 to 80 pieces per hour.

And quality is up to par.

It is important to tell you that all production workers are hired without experience. Prosperity has its own training program and doesn't want experienced people who may have developed a lot of bad work habits that are difficult to overcome. Trainees learn to do their tasks the Prosperity way for maximum efficiency. That applies to both the drycleaning and the laundry operations.

Modernization was carried out in the laundry washroom as well. They had two semi-automatic self-dumping wheels plus a couple of conventional washers. The first two were retained but the latter were replaced by fully automatic self-dumping wheels. They use four 450-pound wheels for the flatwork. A new 900-pound automatic washer has been installed to handle the shirt work, together with another 450-pound wheel.

Recently a heat reclaimer was installed at a cost of \$20,000. That's a lot of money, but is saving the firm \$4.000 of fuel oil a year. Another way of saying it is that the reclaimer saves the equivalent of a 100 horsepower boiler. It will pay for itself

within five years.

The last major physical change took place in the drycleaning room. And this was really a major one! They formerly used six 250-pound conventional washers and one 500-pound washer-extractor, manually operated. Six men were required to run the room, with extra help during peak seasons.

Management investigated the situation carefully and decided to make changes here for several reasons. They felt that completely automatic equipment would turn out more consistent work. They could use less skilled labor which would take even less supervision than with the old setup. Another advantage: with washer-extractor equipment, the men wouldn't have their hands in the solvent-a morale factor.

As stated earlier, the revamp in this department alone came to \$100,-000. The old washers and three extractors were replaced by four 500pound and one 100-pound fully automatic washer-extractors. The smaller one is used for sizing, water repellency and other special services.

There are eight 10,000-gallon filters piped to a central tank and the piping is such that solvent can be directed to any washer from any filter. The solvent lines are equipped with coolers and heaters. Moisture is controlled automatically for drycleaning, too. Cycle controls eliminate the human factor. The timers make it possible to run each and every load uni-

### Quality and service improved

Remember we said it took six men to run the cleaning room before? Well, thanks to the new equipment two men take care of the entire operation, even in peak seasons. On top of that, quality has greatly improved.

Thanks to the changes in the cleaning room and the other departments service has been stepped up, too. No longer is it difficult to maintain oneday service in the branch stores, although some are as far as 40 miles away from the main plant. Regular service improved, as well.

The savings and increased efficiency make it possible for the firm to compete, profitably, with decentralized

plants in the area.

Here is something significant. Prosperity is producing better than 21 pieces per operator hour in the plant! Of course, this phenomenal figure doesn't include marking and assembly since these duties are handled by the store clerks.

Even so, this is a tremendous



Manny Pardi points to master piece-count recorder located in executive offices

achievement. Two other top plants that I know are getting about 10 pieces, including marking and assembly, and that figure is just about double what the average plant obtains. We are talking about total productive output; not just finishing, which is only part of the story. Pieces per operator per hour tell much more than percentage of labor costs to sales.

A plant with a 26 percent direct labor cost can be far more efficient than one operating at 19 percent. Differences in salary scales and cleaning charges can cause this seeming contradiction. The true measure of efficiency is P.O.H.

### Role of consultants

So much for the physical changes. There were other changes, more subtle but equally important. These involve methods or systems plus a new attitude in management thinking. Part of the four-year plan called for outside consultation—even a psychologist, as we shall presently see.

The outside consultants were brought in right at the beginning of the modernization program and they are still in the act. Back in October of 1955 Prosperity obtained the services of the well-known management consultant, Claude Lucas. He set them up on his lot system, practically eliminating stragglers and service failures. Service speeded up, too, according to the plantowners.

It was through his recommendations that the plant began to keep track of P.O.H., and on the up-to-the minute basis as described. Both productive employees and sales personnel are on the system. It has given the plant direct control over the hours put in, even by the sales clerks. Counted into the clerks' P.O.H. are the number of pieces marked in and assembled as well as sales for that store.

All store P.O.H. performances are reviewed every three months. At that time it is determined whether a given store may need another clerk, or one less, or whether hours should be changed. Nothing is done on a hit-ormiss basis at Prosperity. At these quarterly reviews management determines whether or not a given store should be relocated.

Once or twice a year, Mr. Lucas returns to the plant to review its performance and to bring new suggestions. Through these many visits perhaps the greatest help he gave Prosperity was to change top management's attitude.

The firm was begun in 1928 by John Pardi, who opened a press shop. His cleaning was done by a large wholesaler. The business went well from the start and soon he asked his brother, Manny Pardi, to join him. They made a fine team, and now each has a son in the business.

But as is often the case with selfmade men, John was reluctant to ease up on the reins. He had always run a one-man show and all decisions, no matter how minor, had to be cleared through him. His son Ed and his brother's boy, Frank, both grew up in the business. As small boys they would work after school, on Saturdays and vacation periods. Both are now graduates of the National Institute of Drycleaning and are in their middle twenties.

John Pardi is the first to admit that he never quite recognized the fact that these boys had grown into mature, experienced men. Mr. Lucas slowly but surely convinced him to realize this, to ease up on the reins he held so tightly, even over brother Manny.

Now each man has delegated authority and responsibility. It has brought new vitality to the organization. Manny is secretary-treasurer of the firm and is in complete charge of production. The success in implementing Mr. Lucas' production methods can be directly attributed to him. While he has always been an important cog in the machine, the new attitude that prevails has given him the opportunity to use his many talents to the fullest.

Son Ed is now a full fledged vicepresident and has charge of all sales activities. The other boy, Frank, has been put in complete charge of one of the package plants. John Pardi, president of Prosperity, is relieved of details and can devote his fine talents to long-range planning and other mat-



Ed Pardi studies sales and personnel records posted on wall chart to show status of each store daily



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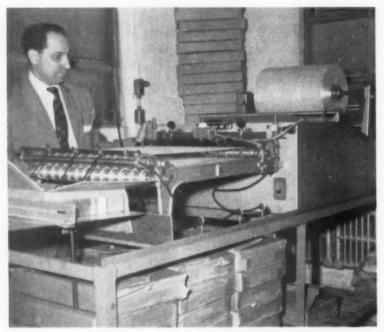
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The timing of this change was fortuitous. Just as plans were jelling, John was stricken with a serious illness. He was forced to remain away from the business for several months. Under the old setup things could have been chaotic. But thanks to the changes that were made in the management, business went on as usual.

In addition to the management consultant, the plant brings in professional instructors to retrain the productive people. From time to time a top finisher will work with the crew and the foremen. The latter are responsible for training new employees who are all novices in this work.

We have already mentioned the many innovations this firm introduced. Their most recent effort to obtain outside help is a case in point. They hired an industrial psychologist to assist in the solution of management problems.

The services of Dr. Mortimer R. Feinberg were contracted for to help the management team weld their talents together. The research conducted

by Dr. Feinberg went beyond the three top executives, however. It took in all supervisory personnel.

While the top executives came in for their share of review, it was necessary to screen all supervision to insure good morale in the lower echelons of the organization. It could be possible that some foremen or superintendents were not utilizing their full talents or were "square pegs in round holes."

The study included depth interviews, written tests (including the famous Rorschach ink blot) and other psychological measurements. After the results were evaluated the supervisory people had a further individual interview to show them their strong and weak points; areas where improvement would be helpful. No one was dismissed or demoted. Of course the findings would naturally enter into management's thinking concerning future promotions or placement within the organization of those tested.

Another important result came out of the study. The duties and responsibilities for each position within the plant were analyzed and clarified. Better lines of communication were established between top management and the lower echelons. Regular meeting schedules were established so that important problems could be handled at the earliest possible moment.

# Improvement in personnel

As a result of the tests and subsequent training, the following improvements have occurred:

 An effective management team has been built. The plant is now able to make maximum use of each person's outstanding talents.

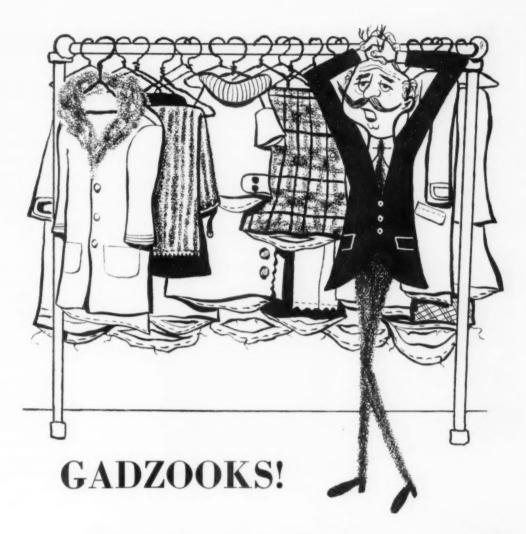
Employee turnover has been lowered.

Supervisors are now aware of motivation techniques and how to use them.

As to the future, here is what John Pardi has to say:

"Our outlook for the future is one where the scientific approach in operation is the key factor. This, coupled with our experience and broader views into human relations, has made our operation more easily controlled so that cost ratios are maintained in direct relation with sales volume."

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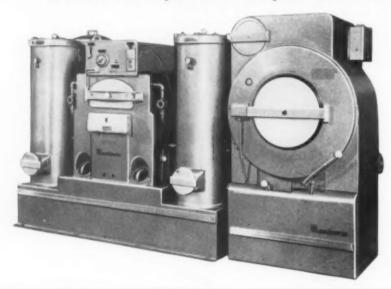
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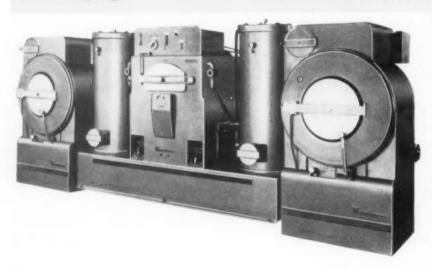
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Owner of Jarnel's apparel shop explains advantages of Fashion Cleaners' sizing for cottons

 Hang tag on garments in apparel shop brings many new customers to Fashion Cleaners



# Cotton Sizing Promotion Maintains Volume

Close relations with exclusive apparel shop add impact to campaign

By ART SCHUELKE

DID YOU SUFFER a business slump last summer? If you did you may avoid it this year by following the example of Fashion Cleaners of Salt Lake City, Utah. Owner Albert V. Mackie has used some aggressive cotton promotions in the past few years with excellent results.

For example, last year his volume of men's wear items was off 20 percent. But at the same time cottons rose 20 percent and, because of the difference in pricing, total volume stayed even. In the past his silk department was way ahead of the work. Now two

full-time, experienced girls are always 15 to 20 dresses behind production.

Women's garments are now the backbone of Mr. Mackie's summer business. While he has done many things to bring this about, the cooperation of a ladies' apparel shop in his area has probably been the most important idea he has employed.

This fine exclusive shop, Jarnel's, recommends to all its patrons that they take their cottons to Fashion Cleaners because of the use of sizing and quality finishing which restores these garments to their original ap-

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Normal extraction of garments in this plant is three minutes. However, the sized "silks" are given a one-minute extraction. Cottons get only from 30 to 45 seconds.

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Plant call office gets a weekly change of frocks and mannequins to promote sizing

pearance. This is done not only by word of mouth; special tags telling the story are hung on each garment.

The owner of the shop is very influential in that neighborhood. She conducts several fashion shows annually, for charity. She is an acknowledged expert on styling. The Utah State Drycleaners Association conducts an annual scholarship contest among students who submit essays on cleaning and appearance. Jarnel's proprietor is one of the judges, which brings her further publicity and status.

In addition to the tags, there is a further tie-in. As a reciprocal arrangement, Jarnel's provides Fashion Cleaners with a mannequin. Each week a different dress is sent to the plant for display to promote cotton sizing (and to publicize Jarnel's).

While this retail store cooperation is the single most important part of his promotion, Al Mackie doesn't stop there. He is an ardent advocate of advertising. For the past six years he has maintained time on television. For a long time it was a one-minute spot announcement, but now he is sponsoring a five-minute newscast in the evening.

During the summer months he focuses attention on cottons and similar items. The gist of his ads is, "Let US do your wash-and-wear." His agency adds prestige to the commercials by using fashion photos taken in several familiar scenic spots around Salt Lake City.

He is also in the newspapers once a week. The ads average about one column by seven inches and appear in both of the city's daily newspapers. Fashion also uses button tags profusely. In short, Al uses all the tried and true methods, plus his own innovations . . . and all it does is help business. # #

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Business grew from this combination drycleaning-tailoring shop started in 1915 by Hubert Amiot



Population shift brought about a switch in plant operations from multiplestory building to leased space next door in downtown Wyandotte

# PLAN YOUR FUTURE NOW

# That's what keeps this long-established plant young

### By HARRY YEATES

FORESIGHT and flexibility through the years might amply describe the success story behind Amiot Cleaners, a name known for quality drycleaning in Wyandotte, Michigan, an industrial suburb of Detroit, since 1915.

Years before the introduction of Stoddard solvent or air-driven presses, drive-in plants or fast service, a man named Hubert Amiot opened a tailor shop on the main street of downtown Wyandotte. For several years the shop was operated exclusively as a retail tailoring business. People were measured for custom-made suits and patterns were sent to Chicago for completion.

Garments brought to the tailor shop for drycleaning were farmed out to a Detroit plant. In those early days of the business the expression "farmed out" meant that Mr. Amiot had to transport bundles of garments on an intercity bus to the Detroit plant. Three days later he made the return trip to pick up his orders.

In 1917 Mr. Amiot moved his shop to larger quarters on the main street. Tailoring service was expanded under the supervision of his own staff. At that time drycleaning equipment was installed behind a partition at the rear of the store. The plant was operated in this location by seven employees until 1925.

Shortly afterwards, the plantowner invested his savings in a two-story building down the street from the tailor shop. Petroleum cleaning units were installed and the number of employees was increased to 25. The plant operated with three routes. A rug cleaning department was located on the second floor of the plant.

# The forward look

Mr. Amiot realized that future residential areas would eventually spread westward from the downtown section of the community. It is located on the shores of the Detroit river connecting Lake St. Clair and Lake Erie. With this thought in mind he was one of the first plantowners in the district to open branch pickup stores in the areas of Dearborn, Willow Run and Tremont.

At this point in the firm's history, Mr. Amiot's three sons, Neal, Gerald and Charles, became active in plant operations. All through their high school years the boys worked on the routes, doubled as counter personnel, and became experienced in the technical end of the drycleaning business.

Gradually Mr. Amiot turned over responsibilities of the business to two of his sons while he became active in civic affairs. He served as mayor of Wyandotte for three consecutive terms and acted as police commissioner for two terms.

After graduation from college the youngest son, Neal, returned to take over full operation of the plant with his brother, Gerald. The senior Mr. Amiot died in 1937.

For the next 10 years business at the downtown plant continued to grow primarily because of the influx of population brought on by war contracts in surrounding industrial areas.

However, by 1949 it was apparent that more and more old customers were moving to newer areas away from the plant—as first predicted by the senior Mr. Amiot when he first opened call offices in the early Twenties.

Soon after World War II, Neal Amiot sold the downtown building housing the plant to a chain department store. He leased a smaller space measuring 30 by 120 feet in a building behind this property. The petroleum cleaning equipment was replaced with a 35-pound synthetic washer-extractor and a 2-girl shirt finishing unit.

# Branches get business

Soon after the package plant was opened, the plantowner added another call office in a neighboring community. This brought the number of stores operated by Amiot Cleaners to four, pinpointed in strategic growing residential areas.

Although volume averaged a healthy \$5,000 per week, the bulk of



3. Branch store was activated with drycleaning equipment from downtown store as population moved to the suburbs



4. Latest package plant was opened by Amiot Cleaners last year to meet needs of suburban customers

the business was coming from the branch stores rather than the call office at the main plant. As Neal Amiot remarked, "Counter business downtown wasn't growing fast enough to suit us. To top it off the street in front of the plant was converted to one-way traffic and it killed our good location. We knew it was time to follow our customers to the outlying neighborhoods."

Four years ago the drycleaning equipment from the downtown plant was moved to one of the larger branch stores. It is situated about three miles west of the downtown section of the town. The area is dotted with a series of small shopping centers surrounded by new housing developments. An empty lot next door to the plant was leased for customer parking.

The building was repainted, new signs were added and the call office was lined with wood paneling. An aluminum canopy was installed on the front of the plant. An entrance was cut in the side wall leading to the parking area.

Last year Amiot leased a restaurant next door to the plant. The space was revamped and shirt finishing equipment including a 25-pound washer from the downtown store was installed in front of the windows where it could easily be seen by passing motorists. A portion of the wall was knocked out, permitting customers to view the shirt unit in operation whenever they stopped in to pick up an order.

Following close on the heels of his moving market, the plantowner leased a new building in another suburban community about 10 months ago. A drive-in plant equipped with a 25-pound synthetic washer-extractor and a 2-girl shirt finishing unit was opened at this location.

This plant operates with one route. It serves the residential areas in the neighborhood. The route averages \$700 per week, while over-the-counter business runs around \$2,000 per week.

Drycleaning from the downtown store and two other non-activated pickup stores is processed at the package plants.

# Coin-laundry sideline

Two months ago Amiot installed a coin-operated laundry in the downtown building. It is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Equipment includes twenty 9-pound washers and five tumblers. A separate entrance was constructed along the side of the call office leading directly to the coinstore.

Volume from the coin-laundry reached \$100 within two weeks of the opening. And there has been a noticeable increase in drycleaning and shirts coming in over the counter as more customers use the coin-operated laundry.

Although the coin-store is set up as an unattended service, counter girls in the store are ready to assist customers who need help in operating the washers.

The coin-store is equipped with a coin-changing machine and a vendor that furnishes supplies including soap, bleach, blueing. Cigarette and candy machines are provided as a customer convenience. Management is working out an agreement with the restaurant next door to have food and coffee available in the coin-store. One possibility is an entranceway connecting the store with the restaurant.

Storage facilities for 5,000 hanging garments are maintained behind the coin-operated laundry.

The plant is always striving to im-Continued on page 54



Coin-operated laundry was installed in downtown store replacing drycleaning equipment moved to branch store



This shirt finishing equipment was moved from downtown plant when additional space became available next door to branch store

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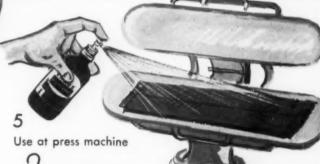
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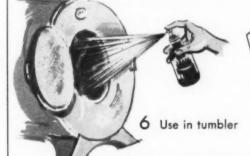


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Neal Amlet plots out a territory for direct-mail campaign

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prove quality. This is evident in a change recently made in shirt packaging. Previously, only a shirtboard and band were used. Shirts were wrapped in brown kraft paper.

When the shirt finishing unit was transferred from the downtown store, the plantowner purchased a shirt pack that combines a board and collar support in one piece. Shirt bands were imprinted with the name of the plant. But that's not all that was done to upgrade the looks of the finished shirts. Each shirt is individually wrapped in a poly bag. The complete order is placed in a paper sack and

sealed with a gummed carrying handle.

The new method of packaging costs about 2 cents more per shirt. But Mr. Amiot believes that a good-looking shirt package offsets cut-price competition over a period of time. Base price for shirts is 25 cents.

As a special service Amiot Cleaners also offers shirts delivered on hangers at the customer's request. Hanging shirts are covered with a blue poly bag. Not long ago a display was set up in the call office featuring a rack of shirts in poly wrap. So many people commented favorably on the method of packaging that now about 10 per-

cent of total shirt volume is returned on hangers.

Another point that the plantowner is particularly proud of is the repair department. According to Mr. Amiot, the department has always been a losing proposition. But he would never know exactly how much business he might lose if he didn't have this service available. The repair lady in charge of the department has been with the plant over 20 years, attesting to her ability to take care of every type of repair service.

Speaking of length of service brings up the point that more than 75 percent of the 35 employees have worked for the firm over 15 years. Three finishers in the drycleaning department at one plant have 20 years of service each to their credit.

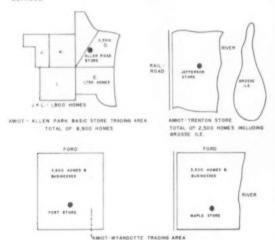
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Typical example of market study prepared for plantowner Neal Amiot before kick-off of direct-mail campaign in suburban neighbarhood



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| GRAND TOTAL OF ALL MAILINGS                           | 37,000                  |

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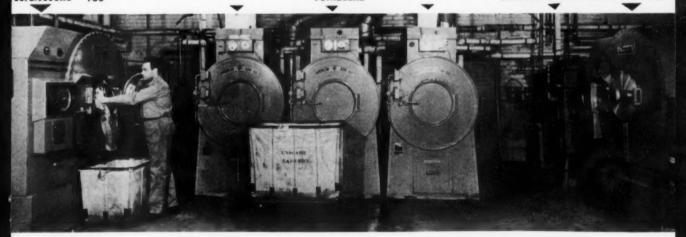
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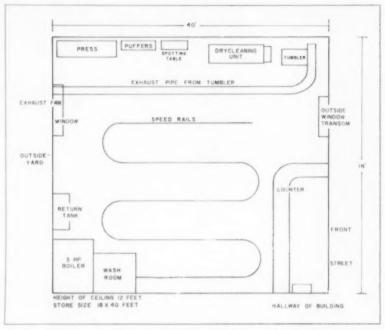


Fig. 1. Drycleaning plant with nonopening window and transom on street front, small entrance door, one rear window. Problem is condensation from high, humid air in summer months. Solution is to get good air movement going

# Emergency Control Over Humid Plant Air

By JOSEPH C. McCABE

MODERN BUILDING DESIGN favors low buildings with ground-hugging effects that give low ceilings and large roof areas. In the summer months when the hot sun starts beating down on buildings, special problems may arise.

The drycleaning plant, as we all know, compounds the problem with some in-plant humidity builders such as presses, spotting boards and other equipment. Naturally, the question of what can be done comes up.

### Move the air

Humidity depends on temperature, of course. But if you can develop air movement the sticky effects of humidity seem to lessen. What's more, if the air movement is consistent and somewhat strong, the moisture from plant equipment may be swept up in this air stream and not produce the troubles from condensation some plants experience.

We had one case presented to us recently, where a cleaning plant was located in a comparatively close area, 18 feet by 40 feet, and with a ceiling height of 12 feet. (See layout—Fig. 1.) On hot, humid days the various pieces of equipment giving up moisture would overload the carrying ability of the air. As the air touched walls, pipes, speed rails, similar surfaces it would cool off and leave moisture drops clinging to these surfaces. As the day wore on these moisture droplets would fall off on to the clothing.

The sketch of Fig. I points up the

problems—namely, a very limited fresh-air inlet, relatively strong heat load and an exhaust pipe running the length of the plant. While the latter might be a comfort in winter, it does not help in cooling or dehumidifying the plant during the summer months. The only possible solution (outside of an expensive air-conditioning installation) is to install a power roof ventilator.

Since the majority of drycleaning plants in this country are one-story buildings, we are assuming in this case that there is a roof directly above the production area. If not, special ductwork would be required.

### **Architectural considerations**

Power roof ventilators (Fig. 2) help provide exhaust systems which are lowest in cost. They occupy no usable floor space and keep building costs down on a dollars-per-square-foot basis. They also eliminate the necessity of long runs of ductwork to fan rooms and thus reduce sheet-metal costs.

The elimination of the long runs of ductwork also serves a secondary purpose. It allows more space for and easier access to electric wires and water pipes which must run through joists between ceiling and roof. This is especially important in those types of single-story buildings where a skylight is used for illumination.

Multiple roof-fan installations with very little ductwork frequently have many advantages which can be secured with little or no cost over that required for installations of comparable capacity using one large exhaust fan and duct system.

Now that the design trend is to low, ground-hugging buildings, there has been an objection on the part of architects to anything that will detract from this desired effect. This has been recognized by manufacturers of power roof fans and they have modi-

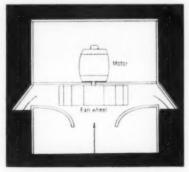


Fig. 2. Typical arrangement of direct-driven centrifugal power roof ventilator

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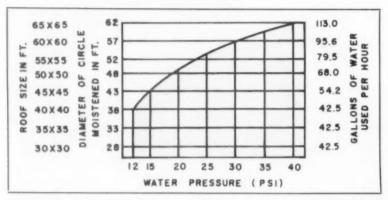


Fig. 3. Curve shows roof area sprayed at various pressures and water needed. Chart data help in spacing nozzles

fied their designs so they will add to the appearance of these buildings.

Selection of roof fans on this basis is not a matter of engineering but a matter of taste. It would be unfortunate if appearance led to the ignoring of mechanical features. Fortunately, there is a variety of well-built power roof fans with different styles of housings to meet varied tastes.

The primary architectural requirement for power roof ventilators is a low silhouette. The minimum over-all height that any fan can attain is limited by the height at which the fan wheel must discharge, and the additional space required above the wheel for the motor and drive compartment. Room must also be found for backdraft dampers in the duct riser to the fan.

Traditionally the discharge height for roof fans in colder climates has been 20 inches from the roof. On old-style buildings with parapets which could act as snow fences and pile up snow drifts on the roof, this height was found necessary. On new-style buildings this condition no longer exists. One of the larger manufacturers of roof fans now shows a discharge height starting at 5 inches for smaller fans and going up to 12 inches for larger units. The traditional 20-inch height is now reserved for extreme northern latitudes.

Use of a narrow fan wheel will cut down on the over-all height of a fan, but such a practice is not justified since this saving in height will have to be made up by noisy or inefficient operation.

The size of the motor compartment is restricted by the frame size of the motor required for the job. One manufacturer eliminates the motor compartment by mounting the motor outboard of and alongside the fan wheel. This arrangement does eliminate much of the motor compartment height, but in turn requires an unsymmetrical fan housing.

The nesting of the motor compartment within the fan housing has been one of the most successful methods of reducing over-all fan height. Space limitations restrict this design to direct-connected fans, but within their performance range, fans of this style have considerably less height from the discharge point to the top of the fan.

The proper comparison of heights of two fans of corresponding capacity must take the fan discharge point as the common datum, since it is the fan height which counts, and not the distance from curb base to fan top.

Symmetry is being emphasized in fan design as it becomes increasingly important that fans present an attractive appearance at any angle from which they may be viewed.

### Airflow conditions

Regardless of the type of fan used, exhaust systems have many design characteristics which are well known and well established. While consideration is always given to the need for good airflow conditions at the inlet to a blower-type exhaust fan, this is not always true of centrifugal roof fans.

If a roof ventilator is to exhaust the quantity of air for which it was selected, inlet airflow conditions must be as good as possible. Where there is a long duct up to the fan there is a natural straightening of the air stream. On single-story buildings where a duct must be short, duct turns should be used at the elbow from the horizontal to vertical to provide uniform flow up the riser and prevent a pileup of air which will result in reduced fan efficiency and in fan vibration.

The modern power roof ventilator is not too far removed from the old exhaust fan indicated in Fig. 1. If it is impossible to put the fan up on the roof it can be mounted on the outside wall, and the full window area used for the inlet duct connection. Second, the fan can be so capped that it will discharge at right angles to the window and hence shield the interior from inclement weather.

# Roof possibilities

If you have access to the roof with the opportunities to place a number of roof ventilators without worrying

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- 2. The smaller the water droplets, the more water contacts air to bring water near wet-bulb temperature.
- 3. Because water sprayed isn't fine enough, it's easier run onand-off, or run continuously and broken finer by hitting revolving wheel. Then sprayhead rotates to throw water over larger roof area.
- 4. Elevation of 45 degrees throws water over greatest area.

about ductwork your plant may be made reasonably comfortable without any other steps. Should you care to further your plant's comfort conditions and have access to the roof, you might consider roof cooling. Roof cooling is not new, but hasn't been widely used until recently. Water is a very good coolant. It is cheap, effective, easy to get to roofs, and very little is needed.

But water is not easy to apply in a very small quantity to a large surface. To make water do a good job, it must be applied in fine droplets that have had close contact with plenty of air for attaining wet-bulb temperature before they hit the roof. If that is done, even hot water can be used.

# Equipment needed

Since there's no nozzle made to spray only 0.04 gallon per square foot per hour the "rain nozzle" must operate on-and-off, That reduces Continued on page 62 Soft as Silk

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Continued from page 58 hourly output. Either that or the rain nozzle must cover a large area. In both cases the nozzles must be installed at the correct elevation above the roof's surface and where the roofsurface temperature is average. Usually a fairly central location on the roof is right.

Too low a pressure reduces coverage but does not reduce total quantity of water per square foot. Too much pressure loses water to the air by atomization. The curve in Fig. 3 shows pressures from 12 to 40 p.s.i. that can be applied to a nozzle. A

roof cooler with T-slot performs as shown by the curve. Its nozzle is turned to control water-jet impingement against the wheel. Only enough water should strike the wheel to rotate it.

A small angle is used with higher pressure. Adjustment for 40 p.s.i. won't work for 15 p.s.i. because the jet misses the wheel and water won't cover the area.

# Laying out the installation

The performance curve shown (Fig. 3) is for laying out any installation.

You need an outline sketch of the roof, this diagram, and available water pressure to find the number of coolers needed. Then find the best location for the coolers. Aim your pipe plan for lowest cost and for smallest variation in pressure drop. Up to six nozzles seldom require more than ½-inch pipe.

If the pipe stretches over 10 feet on the roof, fasten only one end to the roof because of expansion and contraction. Fix the piping only at the point where the riser pierces the roof. This eliminates the chance of leakage. Terminate the riser in an angle valve. When finished, push it down so the outlet rests on the roof and apply mastic paint around it.

Where there's danger of frost (north of the Mason-Dixon Line), provide for a draining system in the fall. The lowest point is usually near the shutoff valve. Install a pet-cock or small drain valve above it. If there is no drain, remove the shut-off valve bonnet for draining.

The curve, Fig. 3, does not show performance for less than 12 p.s.i. because it takes that much pressure to start the cooler. However, roofs only 30 feet wide are being served at less than 12 p.s.i. by using a higher pressure for starting. In that case, the final pressure adjustment is not made with the roof valve. Working pressure is adjusted without observing spray nozles. Start with the shut-off valve wide open, then throttle the flow until the gauge reading shows the right pressure. # #

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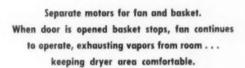


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# Are You Getting the Best Results From Your Solvent?

Here are maintenance suggestions for the petroleum plant



**Good piping** is one requisite for quality cleaning. This plant has all of its pipes underground for better housekeeping

# By ART SCHUELKE

IN SPITE OF INROADS made by synthetic solvents, petroleum still remains the workhorse of our industry. It is reliably estimated that two out of three plants use some form of petroleum solvent. This includes regular Stoddard, 140° F. and the new modified Stoddard which is quick-drying at low temperature. The latter is just a little over the cost of regular Stoddard, but becomes competitive with perc so far as drying time and deodorization are concerned.

Manufacturers on the approved list of the National Institute of Drycleaning spend a considerable amount of time and money to bring us the best products possible. But there is no solvent—petroleum or synthetic—that will not contaminate in our plants. On rare occasions it may occur even before the petroleum solvent is delivered to the plant. Some careless tank-truck driver may fail to flush the compartments after using the truck to deliver some other product.

### Contamination in plant

Or we can start contamination of a fresh load of solvent by having it put into dirty storage tanks. Faulty distillation practices are the worst offenders. Failure to use activated carbon daily adds to the problem. Even the



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condition of the washers and filters contributes to contamination and poor drycleaning.

With the exception of the rare delivery problem, the responsibility lies with the plantowner. There are many who have firmly established solvent maintenance programs, but some do this sporadically if at all. It is costing these plants money, through loss of customer goodwill, through increased spotting and finishing expense.

# Maintenance in equipment

So let us first explore what must be done to properly maintain petroleum solvent in the equipment itself. This involves the tanks, the washers and filters, and the still (the heart of good solvent maintenance).

One of the leading petroleum solvent firms recommends that tanks be cleaned at least once a year, preferably twice a year. This is the method they find to be effective:

 If possible, remove all of the solvent from the washers, filters and tanks.

2. Use a solution of 10 to 20 pounds of trisodium phosphate per 100 gallons of water as the cleaning solution. This mixture should be heated with steam in the washer to about 200° F. (just below boiling).

 Fill the washer and filter with this solution and circulate for 20 minutes. Have the filter screens removed. These should be cleaned separately (the procedure will be described later).

 Drop the solution through the dump lines and pump to supply tanks; both the new and used solvent supply tanks.

If possible, reheat the solution and circulate in and out of the supply tanks three or four times until they appear to be clean.

6. Dump this cleaning mixture to the sewer.

Follow the same procedure with clear, cold water,

8. If, after one rinsing of the complete system, the water appears cloudy, a second rinse should follow.

At the completion of the cleanout, make certain all water has been drained from lines, traps, etc.

There is another formula which can be used to clean tanks. But before describing it, a suggestion in the previous chapter of this series bears repeating. That is, to drain about 10 gallons of solvent from the dump tank each morning.

If underground tanks are used, the

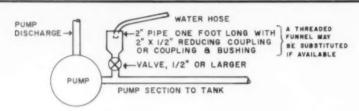


Fig. 1. Simple installation designed to keep vacuum pump cool

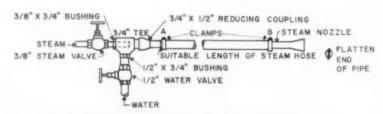


Fig. 2. Combination steam-water gun for cleaning filter screens. (1) Get stream of water from nozzle about size of lead pencil. (2) Then turn on steam. Note: 3/4-inch nipple must extend beyond side opening in tee

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10 gallons should come from the bottom suction line. In the case of overhead tanks, the solvent should be taken through the drain valve at the bottom of the tank. This solvent should be deposited in a muck tank or open drum for settling.

This practice doesn't replace boiling of tanks. It merely supplements that operation. It slows down rancidity caused by dirty water at the bottom of the tank. Other impurities cling to the sides of the tank that require boiling.

### Alternative tank-cleaning method

Here is how a major machinery manufacturer suggests cleaning the tanks. Let the solvent run as low as practical, then remove all solvent from the tanks and store it in drums. Often the solvent supplier will help in providing storage facilities.

For each 100 gallons needed to fill the tank, use the following chemicals:

15 pounds of flake caustic 10 pounds of sal soda

5 pounds of trisodium phosphate

If these chemicals aren't available substitute 30 to 50 pounds of flake caustic per 100 gallons of water. Whatever is used should be dissolved in water before adding to the tank, and before the process is started the tank should be full of water. Check all vents to make sure they are open.

On underground tanks, connect a ½-inch steam line to the dirty suction side. This is the line that goes to the bottom of the tank. On aboveground tanks the connection is made to the

bottom drain line. The steam should be turned on gradually.

Here is a word of caution. Steam should never be turned on full blast into caustic water. It boils easily and violently. A "feather" of steam will do the trick.

When the water begins to boil, steam and water will shoot out of the vents. The steam should be cut back just to maintain boiling. Boiling should continue for about one hour. The solution is then pumped out. If left in the tank to cool, it's possible that the congealed "gunk" will be too heavy for the pump to handle.

On the other hand, a suction pump will not handle hot water. Figure I shows how to make a connection to keep the pump cool and operative. With this setup the pump is started and the ½-inch water-line valve is opened slightly so that the funnel will remain nearly full. This requires coordination between the volume of water and the valve opening.

As the pump picks up the hot solution it will become hot, too. That's all right so long as it keeps pumping. If it quits, then it is necessary to use more cold water.

If there is some question as to whether the tank is empty, stop the pump and pour some cold water in the tank. Prime the pump and if the water brought up is cool, the job has been completed.

The tank should then be refilled with water which is brought to a boil and kept boiling for about 20 minutes. This should flush out any remaining dirt and grease. This is pumped out in

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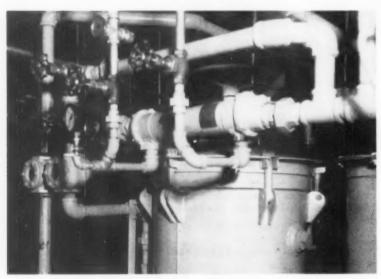
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A word of warning: Flake caustic is lye and can cause severe burns to the skin and eyes. All contact with it must be avoided. When handling it, the operator should wear safety goggles or a face shield. While making solutions, the caustic should be added slowly to the surface of the solution to avoid violent spattering. In case of any contact, immediately flush the skin or eyes with plenty of water and get medical attention. I've seen such an accident happen, and it's not a pretty sight.

Filters need the same careful attention as tanks. In most petroleum plants flat or tubular screens are most commonly used. We will devote our study to the proper cleaning methods for those. Once, and preferably twice a year the screens should be removed. This should be done carefully to avoid damage to the screens and fittings.

Flat screens should then be placed in a tank or tub in a vertical position, just as they are when inside the filter. The container must be tall enough to completely immerse the screens.

The cleaning solution is water to which caustic soda has been added at the rate of 1 to 2 pounds of caustic for every 5 gallons of water. This is brought to a boil by injecting steam and then the screens are placed in

the solution to be treated for at least 30 minutes.

Next, the screens are rinsed in another container of boiling water, then steamed thoroughly from top to bottom with wet steam. (See Fig. 2.)

Here are two important things to remember: First, the steaming must be done immediately, before the screens cool off. If that happens, the impurities will harden on the screens and be almost impossible to remove. Second, start at the *top* of the screen and work down so that the impurities will be flushed away as the work proceeds.

Only one screen should be done at a time. As the steam flushing is finished, the screen should be wiped dry and then placed in a drying cabinet or boiler room where the warm air will completely dry it before it is put back into the filter. It's a good idea to do this on a weekend so that the screens have sufficient time to dry.

# Cleaning with steam only

If you have tubular filter screens and they aren't too dirty, here is a suggestion for cleaning them with steam only. Obviously they should be cleaned from the inside out. To do this, take an ordinary %-inch pipe about 4 feet long. Thread and cap one end. Then, for a distance of about 12 inches from the cap, drill a series of small holes at 90 degree centers.

Connect the other end of the pipe to the steam line. Remove the tubes from the filter and place the %-inch pipe inside the tube all the way to the end. Turn on the steam and slowly withdraw the pipe, meanwhile turning it with a twist of the wrist. This will flush the entire surface of the tube, from top to bottom.

There may be some cases where a plant is not equipped or inclined to take care of its own screen boiling. Any local electroplating or radiator shop will do the job for a modest cost.

Before getting into a discussion on how to clean stills, there are certain good operational procedures that should be reviewed. For example, stills should always be run at their rated capacity. Each still is designed with a certain volume area for vapor. If the vapor is pushed through this area at a velocity greater than the designed factor, there is a good chance for carry-over of impurities.

Furthermore, condensers are sized to match the still's capacity. Condensate comes over too hot and then wa-

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# "Flighty Perc's" Ex-Love..."Specials"!

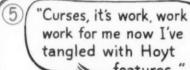
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## This Story About Cinderella Is No Fairy Tale

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## By ART SCHUELKE

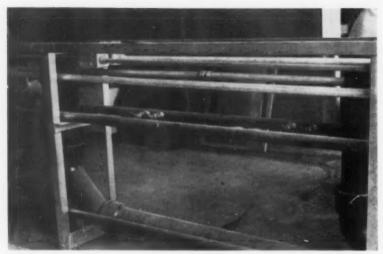
BACK IN JUNE 1956 we brought you the story of some young men who had come into the drycleaning field without previous experience. The report, involving Cinderella Cleaners & Launderers, Inc., of Richmond, Virginia, told of many innovations tried by the then neophytes who didn't know certain things "couldn't be done." They tried them and did very well—at that time.

Among their early efforts were such ideas as in-plant training of counter sales personnel. They used tape recordings of actual customer interviews to sharpen up the girls' sales techniques.

They had the counter girls on an incentive basis. They used microfilming to keep their records economically. They pushed sidelines, such as box storage and shoe repairing.

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that the article was written with tongue in cheek. After all, these youngsters running this plant had only put their ideas into effect for a few months, relatively speaking. Was it a matter of luck? Would the percentages catch up with them?

Nearly three years elapsed since our last visit. It was high time to check on these young upstarts. So we went back to Richmond. Before I get into the progress report in detail, let me quickly state that this is no flashin-the-pan operation. The plant is doing better than ever.

In the 1956 article, for example, we mentioned that they had a storage vault in one of the branch call offices to take care of the volume of box storage they then enjoyed. At the time of our second visit they were in the process of installing a refrigerated storage vault in the main plant to handle the increased volume.

But this is a small example. Let me tell you about some of the more significant developments.

As of October 1958, there was but one coin-operated laundry in existence in Richmond. The enterprising members of this firm started the first coinop at that time in conjunction with cleaning, laundry and shoe repairing. (With a very interesting angle, as you will presently see.) Before the end of May 1959, Cinderella Cleaners &

Launderers, Inc., had four coin-ops going, with plans for four more.

Because of Cinderella's success with coin-ops, the city of Richmond has been adding new installations in this field at the rate of better than one a week. Most are being put in by professional cleaners and some laundry plants.

When the company, headed by E. "Shoe" Shoemaker, first thought about coin-ops, they wondered about industry thinking concerning locations. General sentiment seemed to be in favor of low-income areas. In line with their "radical" thinking, they decided to try high-income areas.

## Choice of neighborhood

There were some good reasons behind this. First, they had two branch offices in better-than-average communities that had extra space for such an operation. Second, they felt that coin-ops offered a service to rich and poor alike that wasn't being met by professional cleaners or laundries.

Even though homemakers in these communities had maids and home washers, they could wash and dry special loads faster and cheaper in the coin-op. Instead of spending a couple of hours a day, two or three times a week, at home for peak loads, these could be done in one fell swoop—more cheaply—at a very convenient location.

It was a big gamble. The first installation, with 16 nine-pound washers and four driers, cost \$14,000. The second, in a similar neighborhood, consisted of 20 nine-pound washers and 10 driers and involved some \$19,000.

But the gamble paid off. The latter plant hit its break-even point in two weeks. It is realizing a shade better than 50 percent profits. The former was breaking even within 30 days and produces a fair profit, although not quite up to the other installation.

The two newest plants (not in operation at the time of this writing), are in more "conventional" neighborhoods. That is, they are located in apartment areas and where heavy traffic predominates. All are tastefully done, with excellent lighting, and a hygienic atmosphere prevails.

Each outlet has a counter to take care of cleaning and laundry. The storage area for will-call work is partitioned off from the coin-operated laundry. A cloth curtain suffices in the daytime to keep this separate while the counter girl is on duty. At night a sliding door with a padlock protects the stored garments, as well as the



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cash register and display items which are moved into the padlocked area. During the day the counter girls make sure that the coin-operated laundry section is clean and that the equipment is properly waxed.

Cinderella has air-conditioned two of these laundries. The cost for each outlet is estimated at some \$2,000, for refrigerated units. Since most homes in the part of the country in which they are located are air-conditioned, the management feels it must offer this same convenience in the laundry operations.

It is important to point out that the men who run Cinderella lease all their outlets-even the main plant. It seems this is the trend in industry. For example, in the supermarket field, even the counters and shopping baskets belong to a parent firm and are used on a lease arrangement. So far Cinderella Cleaners has confined its leasing only to the property on which it operates. In most cases it acquires either 5- or 10-year leases with options to renew for an additional 5 or 10 years. Equipment for laundering, water heating and the like are the property of Cinderella Cleaners.

Water heaters in the smaller plants

can produce 700,000 B.t.u. (like the first installation). In some of the newer installations 900,000 B.t.u. are provided for, in case expansion is needed. And this is important: The units are set up to keep the water on constant circulation. That is, as the water heater generates hot water, this water flows through the lines and comes back to the heater, thence back to the feed lines.

Thus, each and every washer has water at the exact heat the wash-load requires. This may seem like a small item to plantowners, but not to the housewives. It's a problem many early entrants into the coin-op field have found tough to combat.

But are the new cold-storage vault and coin-ops all these boys have done? Not by a long shot. They still do an excellent job of training their sales personnel—both route and counter. And that's not all.

In the five years they have run the business they have spent some \$50,000 in new drycleaning equipment alone. While no accurate figures were readily available, I know that at least \$200,000 has been invested in new equipment throughout the plant. The shirt finishing department has been

completely air-conditioned, for example. The drycleaning finishing department also has the same type of evaporative air conditioning. Next summer the marking, assembly and other flatwork finishing sections will also be air-conditioned.

We just mentioned the large investment in the drycleaning department. This involved a radical switch from petroleum to synthetic solvent, in spite of the high volume of work handled. And like everything else this plant does, they went all the way.

They installed two cleaning units. One handles 60 pounds per load, the other 120 pounds per load. Temperature controls for heating and cooling are a must here, not only on the cleaning cycle but in the special processes, like silk sizing. Cinderella has also installed a vapor reclaimer to capture the vapors in the air. They claim to be getting from 24,000 to 25,000 pounds of cleaning per 55 gallons of perc. Moisture controls have also been installed to take care of the cleaning operation; to insure top quality.

### More new ideas

Some other innovations since our last visit here are two hours of hi-fi recorded music for plant workers each day. The plant found that music all day long loses its effect. Just a few hours of inspiring melody keep the production workers on their toes.

Cinderella has also added two-way radios on its trucks. It saves a lot of the drivers' time and speeds service.

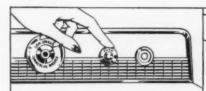
And speaking of route selling, this plant pays its route salesmen on commission only. But because it backs up its men with a sound merchandising campaign and the proper sales skills, the salesmen all make a very lucrative living. Turnover is negligible.

When we brought you the 1956 report, the plant had nine routes. Today it has 11, in addition to 8 branch outlets. (Some four of these are activated by coin-operated laundries, or will be soon.) Fleet equipment is presently evenly divided between domestic "heavy" equipment and the small import jobs. According to management, the smaller trucks are cheaper to run, so far as maintenance goes. But the pay load is nowhere as good as can be obtained from an American standard-size vehicle, so management states.

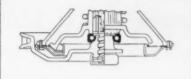
All in all, Cinderella seems to be doing even better than we last reported. It's hard to believe! For years we have heard that such things don't pay off. But apparently they do . . . if customer convenience is backed up by quality and sound salesmanship. # #



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## LEGAL DECISIONS

By A. L. H. STREET

## **Aggressor Not Covered**

Will Workman's Compensation cover injuries to the aggressor in a fight when it occurs during working hours on the employer's premises?

Such a claim was made by a man in Illinois who started a scrap with a fellow employee and was not able to get it stopped until he himself was severely mussed up. He tried to get satisfaction from their common boss by claiming that he had been injured in the course of his employment within the meaning of the local Workman's Compensation law.

However, the Illinois Supreme Court ruled (178 N. E. 886) that while it was true the injury arose out of and in the course of his employment, the injured man was not entitled to complain because he started the fight.

The court said, "Injuries compensable are those arising out of the conditions under which the employee is required to work, and may properly include injuries arising out of a fight in which the injured employee was not the aggressor when the fight was about the employer's work in which the employees were then engaged, but it is not within the content of the statute that an employee be protected against the consequences of a fight in which he was the aggressor, though the fight be over matters of the employer's work in which the employees are then engaged."

## **Damages for Trousers Only**

Does the loss of suit trousers constitute loss of the entire suit?

In a recent decision handed down by the Louisiana Court of Appeal, Second Circuit (Shreveport) the court found that the owner of a pair of trousers, ruined by drycleaning shrinkage, was not also entitled to damages on the suit coat.

The judge upheld the lower court's decision that the cleaner had failed to show that the trouser shrinkage was not due to negligence on his part (Jeter v. Lachle, 106 So. 2d 808).

The Court of Appeals maintained, however, that the plaintiff had not sustained a total loss of the use of his entire suit. A clothier testified that any pair of trousers could be worn with the coat and that the coat could be used as a part of a suit.

It was also observed during the hearing that the coat and trousers had been originally ordered at separate times, and no effort had been made to positively ascertain that matching trousers could not be obtained.

The clothier testified that the trousers could be replaced for \$68, and the court concluded that that was the extent of the owner's damages.

## **Partnership Duration**

Can a partnership of no fixed duration be dissolved at any time by one of the partners?

In the case of Jones v. Styles (109 So. 2d 713) the Alabama Supreme Court ruled that when there has been no agreement by the partners on the duration of the partnership, the firm can be dissolved by any one of its members at any time without his giving reason for doing so.

## Liability for Loss

Can a cleaner be liable for the full value of a garment entrusted to him for storage if he has turned it over to a third party without the owner's permission?

On the appeal of a case involving the United States Fire Insurance Co. v. Paramount Fur Service, Inc., (156 N.E. 2d 121) Ohio Supreme Court judges agreed that the retailer might be held liable for loss of a garment on the ground that the owner relied upon storage on the premises, not by a third party.

The owner of a beaver fur coat insured it for \$1,800. In order to secure a low storage rate, she left the coat with a retail fur dealer under an agreement limiting his liability to \$100. The dealer in turn entrusted the coat to a wholesaler under a con-

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Through alleged negligence on the part of the wholesaler's deliveryman, the coat was stolen from the truck, and the owner collected the \$1,800 insurance. The insurance company sued the wholesaler for reimbursement, and the Cuyahoga County, Ohio, Court of Appeals decided the wholesaler's liability was limited to the \$1 evaluation under which the garment had been received.

An appeal of the decision, however, brought a ruling of seven Supreme Court judges that the wholesaler was liable to the \$100 valuation placed on the coat by the owner when the coat was entrusted to the re-

If in this case the owner of the fur coat reasonably supposed that her garment would be stored on the retailer's premises, it is possible she could have collected the full value on the theory that the \$100 valuation was automatically abrogated when the coat was entrusted to the third party—especially since the coat was thereby exposed to increased risk during conveyance to and from the wholesaler's place of business.

## Mortgaged Equipment

If a cleaning firm defaults in payment of rent, is the landlord then lawful owner of the firm's equipment which had been mortgaged to him as security for the rent?

Facts of a case heard by the California District Court of Appeal, First District (Kertz v. Paris, 335 Pac. 2d 154) were that a cleaning firm operated on leased premises and mortgaged its equipment to the lessor as security for payment of rent. The firm defaulted in paying rent under a 10-year lease and was dispossessed.

The mortgaged equipment was left on the premises which were then leased to a new tenant, who used the equipment and kept it in good repair. The original owners did not object to this.

The dispute arose, however, when the new tenants, under an order by the city fire marshal, sold a pressing machine and extractor as junk.

The court ruled that the landlord was not liable to the former tenants as he was in lawful possession of the equipment under the chattel mortgage.

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ter is wasted to solve this problem.

With the charged system, lower steam pressures are recommended, too. About 35 p.s.i. will do the job nicely. To repeat from the last chapter, be sure your still is equipped with a low-pressure steam trap to make it efficient at the lower pressure.

The water temperature on the discharge side of the condenser should be about 170° F. for maximum efficiency. Practically all stills are equipped with a thermostatically controlled valve to keep this temperature constant. If for some reason your still doesn't have one, you should install one immediately. Not only will you improve the efficiency of the unit, but you will save water.

It is particularly true with charged system cleaning that there is a possibility of foaming-over or entrainment during the first and last parts of distillation. It is extremely important to divert the solvent distilled during these two periods back to the dump tank. It isn't lost and this prevents contamination of the good solvent.

Many well-run plants use two moisture separators. They have a bypass between the two and have a valve on the line back to the dump tank, as well as another valve just before the second separator. The first and last parts of distillation are passed through the open valve to the tank, while the other valve is closed. After 10 minutes or so, the valves are reversed and the solvent goes through the second separator and on to the clean tank. Near the end, the first procedure is repeated.

Cleanliness of the rags in the moisture separator is a must. They should be washed thoroughly after every six hours of distillation. This is especially true where a plant has only one separator, or for the first one where two are used.

There has been a long-standing argument among the experts over whether or not the clean rags should be wet or dry when they are put into the separator. One school holds that damp rags absorb moisture more readily. The other faction says why saturate the rags and so limit the additional amount of water they are supposed to pick up. Since results don't seem to warrant favoring one method over the other, to my mind the important thing is to keep the rags clean.

If you are to get maximum efficiency from your petroleum still, it is vital to keep the heater tubes clean at all times. Dirt and grease that build up insulate and prevent proper heat transfer. Some experts suggest that after the regular boil-down, solvent should be brought up to cover the tubes to keep residue from baking on them, which can happen in any empty chamber.

The cleanout cover should be removed once a month to check the condition of the heater tubes. If this is done regularly, any small accumulation that is noted can be easily removed. This is done by playing a high-pressure steam-water jet or a small jet of steam against the tubes.

A steam-water jet is also used for cleaning filter screens after boiling. Figure 2 shows how to make one.

At least 50 pounds of steam pressure should be used with the water mix. This will melt and flush away the dirty accumulation. The bottom drain valve should be left open so the residue can go down the sewer.

If the tubes have been neglected, more drastic action is needed. This involves hot alkali or caustic water. One manufacturer suggests that the clean-out cover be removed and replaced with a 1-by-6- or 1-by-8-inch board covering the bottom portion of the opening. This should have holes



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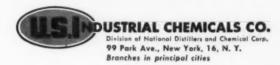
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drilled into it to conform to the holes of the cleanout cover and the bolts should hold it in place.

When this has been done a mixture of water and caustic and lye should be poured through the opening above the board into the boiling chamber. The mixture should be made up of 1 pound of caustic or lye to 5 gallons of water. The solution should come to the top of the heating tubes.

The steam line should then be cracked and the solution brought carefully to a boil. It must be done with a watchful eye so the solution doesn't boil violently and splash on the floor and the still body. Boiling should go on for 15 minutes to half an hour until the coils are clean.

The solution should be dumped and the coils checked for cleanliness. If they're still dirty the procedure must be repeated. After cleaning, the chamber should be filled to the same level with clear water and this brought to a boil, then dumped. After cleaning, the board is removed and the cleanout cover is replaced. The still is ready to operate again.

It is important to maintain the still vacuum pump properly, too. All grease cups should be full at all times, using automobile front-bearing grease. This is especially necessary where grease comes into contact with the

solvent. On the pedestal bearing, any hard-cup grease will work.

It's important to keep the stuffing box well lubricated. Force grease into these parts (while running) every time you start the still. If the still is run all day, it should be done at least once during the middle of the day. Failure to keep grease cups full of the proper grease is the one most important single cause of vacuum failure. I have been in scores of plants where lubrication was a sometime thing.

The frequency of distillation depends upon many factors. Speaking generally, the more often it is done, the more constant will be the purity of your solvent. If it is done seldom, the solvent builds up impurities over a protracted period. An extra load is put on the still and cleaning quality is slowly but surely declining. If distillation is done often, the peaks and valleys of solvent quality are leveled off

And don't forget that daily treatment of your solvent with activated carbon. It's a cheap investment for quality cleaning.

One would think that after the solvent has done its task of cleaning garments, its contribution to plant profits is finished. And it can be generally assumed that high-quality solvent, clean tanks, filters, good distillation,

proper use of detergents and temperature controls are the major portion of the story. But not all of it.

Extraction and tumbling both play an important role in solvent costs and profits as well as quality. Do you have any idea how much solvent is going up the flue in your plant? How much or how little depends a great deal upon how efficiently your cleaner uses your extractor. With older equipment, how much solvent your extractor squeezes out of the garments depends upon how long your cleaner keeps the clothes on the drainboards. (It should be at least 10 minutes.)

Getting back to extractor efficiency, time here is again the important element. There is a happy compromise between maximum solvent removal and wrinkled garments caused by overextraction. Length of extraction at the right speed should turn out garments that have a solvent retention of from 12 to 18 percent, wrinklefree.

At this figure, solvent costs will be in line, garments will be easy to finish and the deodorizing cycle will be within normal limits. The garments will not be subjected to abnormal abrasive action.

Here is the way you can determine whether or not your petroleum solvent retention is within the 12 to 18 percent range:

 Select a test load and predry (moisture can affect calculations).

2. Weigh before cleaning.

3. Clean, drain and extract.

4. Weigh load.

5. Deodorize and reweigh.

The load is predried and weighed to determine the actual weight of the garments without moisture. The only variable remaining is the weight of the soil present, which is not enough to matter in these calculations.

After draining and extraction, the load is weighed. The increased weight over the predried figure is the solvent and moisture added during cleaning. If you add the water manually, it is a simple matter to determine the liquid weight of the moisture (16 ounces equal 1 pound). This weight is deducted from your calculations since it has no bearing on solvent costs. The final weighing after deodorization is the check on your original load weight. For example:

Weight after predrying . . . . . 50 lb.
Weight after extraction . . . . 58 ½ lb.
Amount of water added to load .32 oz. (2 lb.)

Calculation . . 58.5 lb. Less water . . 2.0

Predried weight ... 50.0

6.5 lb.  $\equiv$  weight of solvent (solvent weight) 6.5  $\div$  50.0 (dry weight)  $\equiv$  .13 or 13% solvent retention

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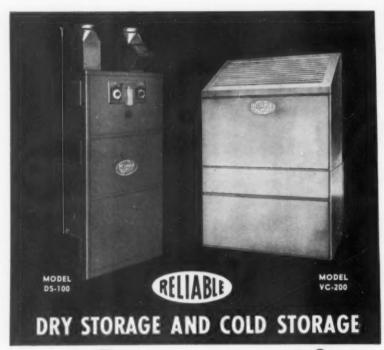
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If you have no way of accurately determining the water additions, estimate approximately 1/2 ounce of moisture per pound of garments cleaned.

Watch for these: Excessive extractor speeds or long extractions may save solvent but can add to finishing costs because of garment wrinkling. So long as solvent retention falls between 12 and 18 percent, solvent costs are in line. Overloading of extractors (with conventional equipment) should be avoided. Garments should be packed, but not to the point where jamming takes place. An inexpensive timer is a worth-while investment.

Since solvent is still present in the next operation—tumbling—just a few words about that. The loads should be put into cooled tumblers, especially when the charged system is used. The moisture present in the garments can contribute to shrinking if subjected to high heat. If the load is run at just around 100 degrees for the first few minutes, much of the moisture will evaporate before the higher temperatures are introduced. As most cleaners know, silks should be run at 120 degrees, soft wools at 140 degrees and hard wools can stand up to 160 degrees.

Here again, temperature controls

more than pay their way. They eliminate human error and avoid many costly claims. In addition, they can reduce tumbling time and cut costs.

At the end of the cycle, the load should be tumbled another five minutes on "cold" to reduce garment wrinkling in the baskets.

In our last chapter we suggested that cleaners, whether they use petroleum or perc solvent, make daily checks on its condition. Here is a quick check on whether moisture is present:

Take a clean and dry test tube and half fill it with the solvent to be tested. Add a pinch of anhydrous copper sulfate. Then shake the tube well, and allow the solution to settle for a few minutes. If the sediment has a bluish tinge, then moisture is present.

To test for free fatty acid, a flask and 50 cc graduate are needed. Both should be perfectly dry and clean. If they are washed in water, they should be dried with a clean cloth. If cleaned in alcohol or acetone, no drying is required.

Pour 50 cc of the solvent to be tested into an Erlenmeyer flask. Add three or four drops of phenolphthalein solution. Shake well. Next, using a 100 cc pipette, add five cc of 0.0139 normal alcoholic potassium hydroxide (using synthetic methanol). While adding this solution, shake the flask with a swirling motion.

If pink color appears with the first 5 cc. of solution, the amount of fatty acid in the solvent is negligible. Each subsequent 5 cc of testing solution that must be added to obtain the pink reaction represents acid number of 0.1. If the pink reaction occurs on the second addition, the solvent is all right to use. The third addition, if necessary, means the solvent needs treatment. The point of acid number 0.3 or higher is a danger signal. This test should be made daily. Be sure the potassium hydroxide is fresh.

It all adds up to greater customer acceptance. And that means more sales of detergents and solvents. Everybody wins-especially you. # #

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statistics prepared before the mailing piece is distributed. For instance, each area surrounding a store or plant is broken down into specific trading areas. Streets are divided block by block throughout any given section. The exact number of new homes to be canvassed is recorded on a map.

The plantowner is furnished with a complete breakdown on the number and frequency of the mailings. Costs are also included. This way he knows exactly how much money will be spent in any given period for directmail advertising.

## Retail tie-in

One of the most successful forms of direct-mail advertising that Amiot is currently using features a tie-in with a local gift shop. The campaign is entitled "Amiot's Dividend Certificate Plan." With each \$1.50 order for drycleaning or shirts at any Amiot store the customer receives a dividend certificate free. Each 15 dividend certificates can be redeemed for one dollar's worth of gifts or merchandise at an outstanding shop.

In effect, the program operates much like a trading stamp plan. But it offers an excellent tie-in with a local store rather than an outside source for prize redemptions. The prestige associated with this personalized gift program has given the plant more publicity than money could buy.

An advertising program outlining specific objectives to be accomplished through different forms of promotion has recently been proposed for Amiot Cleaners. It spells out in black and white a year's program of advertising and pinpoints a variety of media to be used.

Cleanliness is a watchword at Amiot Cleaners. This is evident in every department from the pert and efficient-looking counter personnel to the efficient and well-kept cleaning rooms.

### The road ahead

Although the plant is certainly not the largest in the country, it has come a long way since our old subscriber Hubert Amiot started his first modest shop in 1915. Its successful growth can be attributed in large part to an outstanding characteristic of both the founder and his successor - always planning beyond tomorrow. # #





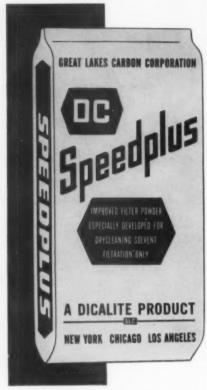
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## N.I.D. NEWS

Management Graduates: Nine students from five states and three foreign countries completed on April 24 the 49th Management Course offered by the NID.

Graduates pictured are, left to



right: Harvey S. Bodker, DeLuxe Cleaners of Kansas, Inc., Kansas City, Kans.; Ronald D. Gallick, Whitefish Bay Cleaners, Milwaukee, Wis.; Robert J. Wong, Quong Sing Laundry & Cleaners, Newport, R. I.; Carlton C. Coburn, Holiday Cleaners, 2011 N. Field, Dallas, Tex.; N. Roy Hasebe, Tessler Brothers Ltd., Vancouver, B. C., Canada; Douglas B. Mott, Fred's Dry Cleaners, 349 Ninth St. Brandon, Man., Canada; Federico Reich Dunner, Edwin Dunner y Cia, Ltd., Santiago, Chile; David Elliott, American Laundry Machinery Company, Cincinnati, Ohio; Adiel Karmi, Americano, Bulevardi 13, Helsinki, Finland.

Patriotic Award: The Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge has presented the NID with one of its George Washington medals for its national program to foster flag display. The award was made by Dr. Kenneth D. Wells, president of the Foundation, and was accepted by William L. Browne, NID public relations officer, on behalf of the industry.

NID Instructor on TV: "Dutch" Rothe, registrar and spotting instructor at the NID, made two television appearances recently on the daily morning women's show, Inga's Angle, featuring Inga Rundvold.

During his first appearance Mr. Rothe explained to housewives how spot removal at home can often be disastrous because of the complexities of today's fabrics. A week later he appeared on the show again, commenting on the need for proper clothing care and emphasizing particular care for clothing about to be stored. Both talks were illustrated with graphic examples.

Each appearance lasted five minuates and, according to the NID, initial audience reaction to the information seemed good. It is expected that future guest appearances for "Dutch" or other NID staff members may be

possible.

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Jersey Shrinkage Study: A study of how to control shrinkage of jersey knit goods will be undertaken jointly by the NID and the Jersey Institute, according to a recent NID newsletter.

The study will attempt to determine the cause of increasing numbers of consumer complaints of shrinkage which occur after drycleaning jersey garments made of 100 percent wool

or Orlon-and-wool blends. The study will include an investigation of various steam-finishing methods used in drycleaning with a view to determining to what extent shrinkage can be controlled by special steam-finishing techniques.

The Institutes will also try to develop a testing procedure which will provide the manufacturer with a means of evaluating jersey fabrics for shrinkage control in terms of recommended methods of steam finishing. Both piece goods and garments will be used in the study, the newsletter added.

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German Team Tours NID: Twelve members of a German Service Industries Team were given the red-carpet treatment recently when they visited the NID as part of their American tour of drycleaning-laundry facilities. One unique feature of their day-anda-half visit was the use of instant portable translators so the NID staff members' talks could be immediately translated into German.

The American tour, from March 26-May 2, was conducted under the auspices of the International Cooperation Administration, with program arrangements made by Serge A. Birn Co., a management consulting firm.

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NID Offers Book Matches: Attractive two-color book matches are now available to members of the NID for use as prestige builders. The white-coated stock has the Institute insigne printed in blue and gold on the back cover. The front cover has been left blank for the member's own advertising. A message on the importance of NID membership is printed inside the matchbook in white letters on blue background.

## ASSOCIATION NOTES

Fabric Manual Presented: A massive book on fabrics, "Focus on Fabrics," was recently presented by the Dry Cleaners Association of Granite City, Ill., to the Associated Retailers group there to assist in customer relations in the field of clothing quality. The book was given to Al Barnes, director, at a meeting of the cleaners' group. The presentation was made by Mrs. Marie Hampton, public relations chairman of the association.

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President Durward Cooley presided at the meeting and a Dow Chemical Co. film, entitled "Care of Clothing," was shown.

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Testimonial Dinner: Fellow-members of the Southern California Cleaners & Dyers Association honored association-minded Bart Christensen with a testimonial dinner at the Beverly-Hilton Hotel in Beverly Hills, Calif., on April 17, 1959. On hand were 134 members of the association, along with many prominent members of the California State Board of Drycleaners,

to celebrate Bart's election to a third term on the Board.

The successful affair was under the direction of program chairman Abe Mandel. An elaborate cocktail hour preceded the dinner.

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Local Election: Percy Young of Young's Cleaners, Edmonton, Alta., Can., was recently elected president of the Edmonton Dry Cleaners Association which was reorganized in February. Other executive members are: Henry Todd, David Starko, Hymie Estrin and John Phau.



## QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

## **Extractor Damage**

What has caused the damage to this man's gray suit coat that we have cleaned?—P. C., Canada

We are of the opinion that this garment has been caught either in the tumbler or in the extractor. Most often this kind of damage is done in the extractor when the cylinder is loaded unevenly and one of the garments rubs against the shell of the extractor. It also could have flopped out of the extractor as it was being extracted or been caught between the cylinder of the tumbler and the outer shell. But it would seem that the drycleaner would have been aware of it being caught in the tumbler.

It would be a good idea to use a cover cloth over the load when it is extracted. Even with the cloth, however, load shifting during extraction sometimes causes this damage.

## **Cashmere Identification**

What percent of this fabric is cashmere?—O. K. C., Texas

We have examined fibers of this material under the microscope and can assure you that the fabric is made from 100 percent wool. It is impossible for us to determine what portion is cashmere.

Cashmere is a very fine grade of wool taken from the Kashmir goat but it has every scale structure that is characteristic of wool so that an accurate determination of percentage is impossible.

Our microscopic examination certainly indicated the fiber to be a fine grade of wool, a good portion of which could be cashmere.

## **Gabardine Spotting**

Can you tell me what causes spots that look like rainwater drops on red gabardine? They appear to do no harm and come out only by steaming.

-C.T.C., Illinois

Such spots on gabardine are not unusual and the fact that they can be removed by the application of steam further indicates that they have been caused by water. Occasionally, however, steaming is not sufficient to eliminate these spots and it is necessary to resort to the use of a fine mist from a water gun followed by steaming.

Sizing of one form or another is quite common in garments today, and when such sizings are water-soluble any drop of water will tend to alter the appearance of the fabric. As you suggested, the customer has evidently been caught in a rain which caused a disruption of sizing wherever the drops hit.

## Mineral-Acid Damage

What has caused the holes and stains on these gray gabardine trousers?

-C. C., Alaska

Tests show that the holes and stains present have been caused by a strong mineral acid. The acid most likely to cause this damage is sulfuric acid because it is contained in the common storage battery.

The stains are actually a color change in the fabric caused by the same acid condition. Eventually these areas would probably go into holes, also

This damage certainly is not the result of any processing in the drycleaning plant because strong mineral acids of this type are never used in any of the operations.

## **Davies-Young Soap Company Promotes Two**



JOHN R. YOUNG

J. FRIEDLANDER

John R. Young has been appointed vice-president of the Davies-Young Soap Company, Dayton, Ohio, it has been announced by Howard Young, president.

John Young formerly served as sales manager of the Dry Cleaning Division, His position has been filled by J. (Morry) Friedlander, former sales promotion manager.

## American Laundry Machinery Promotes Two



ROBERT C. PAULY



CHARLES M. KING

Robert C. Pauly has been appointed to the newly created post of vice-president, engineering, of The American Laundry Machinery Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, it was announced by James M. Garvey, president of the company.

Mr. Garvey also announced the appointment of Charles M. King to succeed Mr. Pauly as manager of the general engineering department. The appointments were announced at a recent annual stockholders' meeting.

A graduate of Sheffield Engineering School of Yale University, Mr. Pauly has been with American more than 35 years. Since 1946 he has served

in a dual capacity as chief engineer and manager of the general engineering department. Mr. King has been assistant

Mr. King has been assistant chief engineer with American since 1946. A graduate of Pratt Institute, he joined the company in 1928.

## **Leather Classes Open**

The summer session of The Kirkpatrick School of Suede and Leather Refinishing, offering "on the job" training, will be open to drycleaners during the months of July and August, it was announced by Kirkpatrick Specialties Company, Chicago, Ill.

The school is free to quali-

fied drycleaners, the company stated, and study is both practical and theoretical. Classes are limited to 10 pupils per week and advance reservations are necessary.

Availability questionnaires may be obtained by writing Kirkpatrick Specialties Company, 1731 W. Fulton St., Chicago, Ill.

## **Du Pont Research Center**

A new modern research center was opened recently at Niagara Falls, N. Y., for Du Pont's Electrochemicals Department, it has been announced.

The 44,000-square-foot building is located adjacent to Du Pont's manufacturing plant on Buffalo Avenue. It contains 20 laboratories, a constant-temperature room, lunchroom, library, conference room and offices.

Dr. Campbell Robertson, laboratory manager, said the new building will be the focal point for research and development work on products and processes vital to the department's established business. In addition, laboratory personnel will pursue research leading to the development of new products.

## Prosperity Center in Rochester

The Prosperity Company, a Division of Ward Industries Corporation, Syracuse, N. Y., has established a factory sales, service and parts center in Rochester, N. Y., according to an announcement by Howard J. Martin, general sales manager, and James Muirhead, general service manager.

The new center, which will serve laundry and drycleaning firms in Rochester as well as in other communities throughout the Niagara Frontier area, will be located at 1166 Brooks Ave. A complete stock of laundry and drycleaning parts will be maintained at the new facility, and a factory-trained parts representative will be responsible for providing adequate parts service to the western New York customers of the company.

The company states that the Rochester center is one of many similar units Prosperity is setting up nationally to increase the number and quality of its factory branch service and parts facilities.

Walter C. Cooper, Eastern regional sales manager, announced the appointment of Donald Fechnay as direct factory sales representative in the center. He also announced the appointment of William F. Bowdren as direct factory sales representative in the New York counties of Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Westchester, Dutchess and Ulster, and Fairfield County in Connecticut.

## Stork Heads Texas Plant



E. C. STORK

E. C. Stork has been named manager of the Longview, Tex., plant of the Marlow Pumps Div., Bell & Gossett Co., it has been announced by S. R. Schleicher, general manager.

After eight years as owneroperator of an automotive supply business, Mr. Stork joined Marlow in 1954 as district sales engineer, covering parts of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas and Tennessee.

The Longview plant, a sales and assembly unit of Marlow, will continue operation as in the past. The main office is in Midland Park, N. J.

## **Unipress Directors Reelected**

All directors were reelected to the board of the Unipress Company, Minneapolis, Minn., it has been announced by Ira C. Maxwell, president.

Reelected board chairman was Morris Landau of Cummings-Landau Laundry Machinery Co. Other directors returned to office were: John T. Davenport, Atlanta Distributing Co., Atlanta, Ga.; I. Brooks, B.S.M. Laundry Machinery Co., Cleveland, Ohio; Norman Enge-



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## VanVoorhis Joins **National Marking**



ELMER VanVOORHIS

Appointment of Elmer Van-

ern and western Pennsylvania National Marking Machine, Co., tory manager in 1956. Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. VanVoorhis has been associated with the laundry and J-M Promotes Clemens drycleaning industries for many years and before joining National was superintendent of Home Town Laundries, Inc., Teaneck, N. J., for 13 years.

In his new post he will share sales responsibilities for his territory with National Marking's New York manager, F. L. Warner.

## **Dewey Named Director**

James M. Dewey, general factory manager of The American Laundry Machinery Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, has been appointed to the board of directors of that company. He will fill the unexpired term of one of the company's founders, the late Ethan B. Stanley.

Mr. Dewey joined the firm in 1929 as engineer in the Canadian, Rochester (N. Y.) and Chicago factories and in the New York City sales office. Five years later he became assistant chief engineer and since that

New Albany, Ind.; northern New Jersey and north- engineer and assistant general factory manager. He assumed was announced recently by The his present office as general fac-



LELAND P. CLEMENS

Leland P. Clemens has been appointed Cleveland district manager of the Celite Division of Johns-Manville Corporation, New York, N. Y., according to an announcement by W. J. vice-president Bucklee, and general sales manager of the division.

Mr. Clemens succeeds R. J. Voorhis as additional sales rep- time has held positions of in- Amberg who has been trans-

ferred to the company's New York office to head up Cement Additives sales.

A graduate of the University of Southern California with a degree in chemical engineering, Mr. Clemens served with the U. S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He held an executive position with a California mining company before joining Johns-Manville in 1950 as a sales representative for the Celite Division. In 1952 he was transferred to take charge of the newly established Houston, Tex., sales territory and three years later returned to Los Angeles as Celite sales representa-

## **Droullard Appointed** at Pennsalt

Fred Droullard has been appointed a sales and service representative for Pennsalt Laundry and Dry Cleaning Products, a division of Pennsalt Chemicals Corporation, Philadelphia, Pa. He replaces John E. Anderson who has retired after serving in that capacity in the Midwest area since 1945.

Mr. Droullard, who has just completed an extensive training program under the direction of Raymond J. Smith, Pennsalt regional supervisor, will cover He was later plant superintend-Nebraska, South Dakota and ent and business manager of a Western Iowa, with headquar- laundry and drycleaning firm in ters in Omaha.

## Keves-Davis Appoints Bardwell



DEWEY D RAPDWELL

Bardwell Sales, Inc., of Dallas, Tex., has been appointed representative of the Keyes-Davis Company of Battle Creek. Mich.

The firm, headed by Dewey D. Bardwell, president, will cover the territory of Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Mississippi, Louisiana, and the city of Mobile, Ala.

## **American Names Craft**



J. CARL CRAFT

J. Carl Craft has been ap-Mountain States field manager of American Cleaners Equip- ton, it was announced by Edment Co., Division of The ward J. Goett, executive vice-American Laundry Machinery president. Dr. Scheffler will as-Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, it sume responsibility for the gill, Jr., manager of American gram coordination on Darco

Cleaners Equipment Company. activated carbons.
Mr. Craft had many years of Succeeding Dr. experience in sales and service manager of the activated carfor nationally known manufac- bons laboratory at Marshall is turing organizations before be- Richard B. Hoots, who has coming associated with the dry-been assistant manager since cleaning and laundry industries. last July.

Colorado, and sales engineer for a large drycleaning equipment distributor in the Rocky Mountain area

In May 1955 Mr. Craft began his career with American as a drycleaning equipment salesman representing the division in northern California. In his new capacity he will supervise American Cleaners Equipment Co.'s distributor program activities in his territories.

## Prosperity Advances Cooper



WALTER C. COOPER

Walter C. Cooper has been appointed regional sales manager of the Eastern group of district offices of The Prosperity Company, a Division of Ward Industries Corporation, Syracuse, N. Y.

In making this announcement Howard J. Martin, general sales manager, said Mr. Cooper will be responsible for supervising the activities and development of the New York. Atlanta, Boston, Cleveland, Washington and Canadian dis-

Mr. Cooper was formerly sales manager of the New York

## Two Advance at Atlas

Dr. George H. Scheffler, former manager of Atlas Powder Company's Darco Experimental Laboratory at Marshall, Texas, has been appointed research pointed Pacific Coast and Rocky associate in the chemical research department at Wilmingwas announced by I. W. Petten- company's research and pro-

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## NEW PRODUCTS AND LITERATURE

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For more information write Detrex Chemical Industries, Inc., P. O. Box 501, Detroit 32, Mich.

## Cement Mending Kit. Stapler Cuff Tacker



The new Super-Automatic Synth-O-Saver recovery unit was announced recently by Detrex Chemical Industries, Inc. Available in 35-pound and

50-pound (illustrated) capacities, the Synth-O-Saver automatically determines the correct recovery time cycle for every type of fabric and every size load, according to the maker. There are no dials for the operator to set.

H. R. Norgren, Detrex vicepresident, noted that other important features of the Synth-O-Saver are: antistatic paddle

A mending kit that makes it possible to repair burns, rips and tears in garments by means of cement instead of tape has been introduced by Newhouse Specialty Company, Inc. According to E. J. Newhouse,

president, fabric weaves, stripes and design can be matched perfectly. No previous experience is necessary to use the kit and pads; wide, quick-opening lint the cement is guaranteed to

withstand repeated dryclean- needle through the outer layer ings or launderings.

The attractively boxed kit includes detailed instructions, four precision cutting dies, die holder, cutting block, combination hammer and screwdriver, tailor's chalk, two push sticks and a tube of mending cementenough for 500 patches.

Newhouse Company also announced its new cuff tacker, an attachment that fits on the anvil jaw of the Ace stapler. Mr. Newhouse states that the Cuff Tacker does away with the time-consuming needle-andthread method by the simple insertion of the attachment

of the trouser cuff and squeeze of the stapler. This leaves the cuff securely stapled from the inside, with the staple completely invisible from the outside.

The company furnishes the Ace stapler with the attachment, or the attachment alone is available for those who already have the stapler. Installation is said to be easy and simple.

For more information write Newhouse Specialty Company, Inc., 3827 San Fernando Rd., P. O. Box 1289, Glendale 4,

## Floor Plan for Lexington Unit Layout



An actual-size floor plan of the Lexington Perc Dry Clean- been announced by American ing unit is now available for use Cleaners Equipment Co. by drycleaners interested in re-

vamping to save space, it has

The template locates right on

quired by the Lexington unit. penheimer suits. This enables drycleaners to exor similar small vacant area. The plan has white lines on an attractive green background to indicate the arrangement of various components in the unit. literature, clothing button tags.

For complete information on Co., Division of the American Laundry Machinery Co., Ross & Section Aves., Cincinnati, Ohio.

## Sanitone Ad Campaign

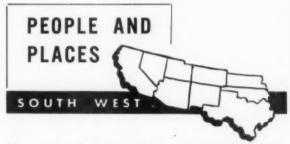
three-way promotional cam- Tower, Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

the cleaning room floor the paign in cooperation with Britsmall 36-by-77-inch space re- ish Woolens fabrics and Kup-

The new Sanitone Dry amine, without measuring tape Cleaning Service advertising or guesswork, the fit of the campaign is addressed to wives Lexington in an unused corner and includes full-page, fourcolor advertising in national magazines and material for the local Sanitone cleaner such as newspaper ad mats, direct-mail

Sanitone licensees are sent the life-size template write addresses of local Kuppenheim-American Cleaners Equipment er dealers and urged to work closely with them on a local campaign. Offers of a drycleaning with every Kuppenheimer suit sold during the campaign are among the joint promotional efforts suggested.

For more information write The Sanitone Division of Em- The Sanitone Division of Emery Industries announces a ery Industries, 4200 Carew



An extensive remodeling project for Baum Cleaners, 238 N. Second Ave., Upland, Calif., has been announced.

Lloyd and Lillie Mathis have announced the opening of Payannounced the opening of Pay-Less Dry Cleaners, 150 N. Third Ave., Oakdale, Calif. Lloyd's Cleaners in Riverbank, also operated by Mr. and Mrs. Mathis, will also be known as Pay-Less.

Ray Barber has purchased Western Cleaners, Bowie, Tex., from Ramon O. Western.

Frost (Tex.) Cleaners was opened recently by A. Rose LeSage. The firm includes a coin-operated laundry.

Richard E. Phillips, owner of La Verne (Calif.) Cleaners, La Verne (Calif.) Cleaners, has opened a branch at 262 W. Second St. in Claremont.

Spic and Span Cleaners, Palmdale, Calif., has opened a branch at 8057 Pearblossom Highway in Littlerock.

Sparkle-White Cleaners & Laundry was opened recently in the 1800 block of S. Washington St., Beeville, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Morris Mr. and Mrs. Edwin M. Jackhave purchased Higgins (Tex.) son, Jr., have announced plans Cleaners from Mrs. Ann Bounch in Eldorado, Tex.

Richardson (Tex.) Cleaners and Laundry has been moved larger quarters at 115 E. Main.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bartlett have purchased Ideal Cleaners, Winters, Calif., from John Siranian, who is retiring.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hahn have purchased Model Clean-ers, 213 Harrison, Leadville, Colo., from Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fox.

Mrs. Gene Duncan has purchased Ideal Cleaning, 216 Yale Ave., Claremont, Calif.

New drycleaning equipment has been installed at Ellison Cleaners, 139 E. Main St., American Fork, Utah. William Ellison is the manager.

Laura Roudabush and her son. Bruce, have opened a drycleaning establishment at 279 Baldwin, San Mateo, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jordain, operators of a drycleaning establishment in Richmond, Calif., have opened a branch in Clearlake Highlands.

## A MESSAGE TO THE DRY CLFANFR-

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Recently the Garment Dyers Guild of America embarked on a nationally conducted drive to alert the public to the various savings which can be effected through redyeing.

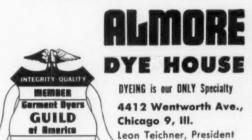
There are millions of articles in homes stored in closets, items too good to discard and yet not used because wear or partial loss of color has made them unattractive. Most of these items can be rejuvenated through redyeing to give a fresh appearance and added useful life.

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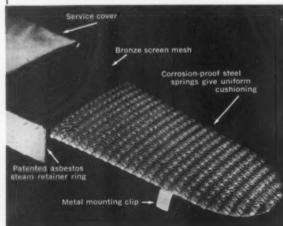
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A grand opening celebration Country Club Square Shopping was held recently at Iowa Dry Center at Hilltop Dr. and Cleaners, 3006 Artesia Blvd., Naples St. Compton. Calif.

purchased Quality Cleaners, on S Texhoma, Okla., from Doyle Tex. Schafer.

A new front has been installed at Wise Cleaners, N. Main, Denver City, Tex., owned by John Wise.

Chula Vista (Calif.) Cleaners has opened a branch in the

ABC Cleaners has been opened Mr. and Mrs. Arlis Tout have in a newly remodeled building purchased Quality Cleaners on S. Washington St., Beeville,

> Gatewood Cleaners, Chillicothe, Tex., has completed installation of new equipment.

> J. K. Butler and C. E. Shipley have purchased Kingsburg (Calif.) Cleaners, 1585 Draper St., from Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Williams.



Don Harrison, owner of One Ruxton Cleaners, 901 N. York Hour Cleaners, 113 N. Main Rd., Baltimore, Md., has been St., Henderson, Ky., has purmodernized and expanded, acchased property at 1402 Second St. for establishment of vice-president. another unit.

nette Martin, who is assisted by her son, Gerald.

establishment opened at Holmes cern. Ave. and Jefferson St., Huntsville, Ala.

have purchased Lyon County ledge, Fla., by Allen Roth, Amy Cleaners, Eddyville, Ky., from Clarke and Francis Morris. G. W. Mick.

Charles C. Shoemaker has sold his interest in Nu-Way Cleaners, Mount Sterling, Ky., to his partner, Herbert Orme.

Archie Jones has moved his drycleaning establishment from Monetta, S. C., to Ridge Spring. station.

Dixie Cleaners and Laundry Martin's Cleaners has been has been moved to larger quar-opened at 106 N. Main St., ters at 515 W. Morgan St., Fairmont, N. C., by Mrs. Jean-Raleigh, N. C.

by her son, Gerald.

H. L. Burdette has leased property at 211 W. Gaston St.,
Franklin Varnell is the manager of the new drycleaning lishment of a drycleaning con-

ville, Ala.

Tip Top Dry Cleaners and Dyers has been established in Mrs. Ralph G. Nall the post office building in Rock-

Kenneth Arnold Poteat has purchased Wrenn's Cleaners, West Ave., Kannapolis, N. C., and is operating the firm as Ken's Cleaners.

Snow White Dry Cleaners & Laundry Co., Inc., Mobile, Ala., has been incorporated by J. F. He will continue to use the Leamy, president, D. C. Leamy, Monetta location as a pick-up vice-president, and E. P. Suess, secretary-treasurer.



Mr. and Mrs. Don Nilson have Toledo (Ore.) Cleaners, loopened a drycleaning establishment at 3885 N. River Rd., new drycleaning equipment. Keizer, Ore.

Model Crown Cleaners, 1910 Installation of new equipment First St., Tillamook, Ore., has been completed at French owned by Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, has installed shirt finish-730 N. Fourth St., Coeur ing equipment.

730 N. Fourth St., Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, according to a

recent announcement by part-ners Karl L. Turnbull and Arthur P. Peterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Thomp-son have sold Black's Drive-In Cleaners, Portland, Ore., to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peterson. The Petersons also own Fashion Cleaners on N. E. Sandy Blvd.

Cottage Grove (Ore.) Cleaners, operated by Art Weinkauf, has opened a self-service laundry on Gibbs Ave.

NORTH

lage, N. Y., has opened a branch in the Pennsylvania R. R. Suburban Station at 15th St., Philadelphia, Pa. This con-

stitutes the first major step in

of the firm.

EAST

Tiecrafters Inc., Queens Vil- Leonard Hauser has announced

Sidney Hallowell has sold his drycleaning establishment in Madison, S. D., to Kenneth

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stephens have turned Lost River Cleaners, Arco, Idaho, over to their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ethel Techick.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kraft have assumed ownership of Fancher's Dry Cleaners, Parker, S. D. The establishment will be operated as Kraft's Cleaners.

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a scheduled national expansion A ribbon-cutting ceremony program, it was announced by Stuart Bart, president-founder marked the opening of Lewandos Drive-In Cleansing and Laundry Center, 31 Thoreau St., Concord, Mass.

Henry's Cleaners, Schenectady, N. Y., recently celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary. Calvin G. Shilling has pur-chased Careful Cleaners, New Bethlehem, Pa., formerly owned by Arnold Dinger.

Mayor Philip C. O'Donnell offi-ciated at the ribbon-cutting ceremonies at Debonair Clean-Penn Sanitary Cleaning and Dyeing Works, Washington, Pa., recently celebrated its fif-Washington, ers, 49 Margin St., Peabody, tieth anniversary. Within the fifty-year span the Penn plant headquarters, still at its original site at 133 S. Main, has added four adjacent buildings and been completely modernized three times. C. E. Penn, Sr., the founder, died in 1927. In 1935 the present partnership. 1935 the present partnership was formed by C. E. Penn, Jr., George H. Penn and Mrs. C. E. Penn, Sr.

> Hermann Bosbach, Inc., 146 Brown Ave., Holyoke, Mass., celebrated its fiftieth anniver-sary recently. Hermann J. Bos-bach is president of the firm, which was first called Mt. Tom French Dry Cleaning Works.

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Bond Cleaners, 114 Main St., Woodbridge, N. J., has opened a branch at 535 Amboy Ave. Shopping Center.

Savage Cleansers, 13 Albion St., Wakefield, Mass., recently celebrated its twentieth anniversary.

Cooperstown (N. Y.) Dry Cleaners, Inc., has opened in new quarters.

Ideal Cleaners has opened a coin-operated laundry adjoining French Dry Cleaning Works. its establishment at 33 Church The company was incorporated St., Spring Valley, N. Y. Joseph Zodda is the owner. to Hermann Bosbach, Inc.



cently at Cliff Carter's Cleaners, the firm to Samuel Branch.

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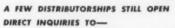
Ont., by Cliff Carter.

New drycleaning equipment has been added at Campbell Salome's Drycleaning, Bathurst, Ltd., owned by Aage Andersen.

## CHECK THESE INTERESTING FEATURES . . .

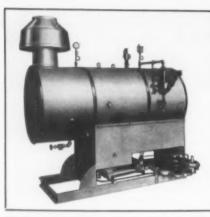
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Mandel's, drycleaning estab New equipment has been lishment of Galt, Ont., recently added. conveyor system.

Clean - Rite Cleaners, Sidney Sts., Belleville, Sidney and Graham Sts., Belleville, Ont., has been purchased by Bruce Parsons and will now operate as Parsons' Cleaners,

Bell Isand (Nfld.) Dry Cleaners Ltd. has been opened by Melvin Rose.

Windsor, Ont., has been modernized at a cost of \$50,000. Ltd., Kitchener, Ont.

M and M Cleaners, Oromocto, N. B., has been moved into its new location in the Shopping

Mr. and Mrs. A. Sauer are the new operators of S. Cleaners, Davidson, Sask, Spartan

Star Cleaners & Furriers, Penticton, B. C., has been completely renovated.

A contract for drycleaning and Master Cleaners, Ottawa St., storing police uniforms was Windsor, Ont., has been mod- granted MacIntosh Cleaners



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St. in Evanston.

Imperial Cleaners and Laun-derers, Mitchellville, Iowa, re-cently held its grand opening.

Rapid One Hour Cleaners has been established at 7625 Colerain Ave., Groesbeck, Ohio.

Anita (Iowa) Cleaners, which was damaged by fire on Feb-ruary 4, has been remodeled and redecorated.

A drycleaning establishment has been opened at 216 N. Sev-enth St., St. Louis, Mo.

250 W. Main St., Flushing, Mich. The establishment had been operated as Paris Cleaners.

David Weber, Inc., dryclean- Shopping Center, Wayne, ing firm of Chicago, Ill., has Mich. This is the fourth in a opened a branch at 526 Davis chain in the Detroit metropolitan area owned by Morris Ros-

> Verne Plassman has purchased a drycleaning establishment at 115 W. Michigan, Marshall, Mich., from Mrs. Betty Wallens.

> A grand opening was held re-cently at One Hour Cleaners, 8522 Winton Rd., Brentwood, Ohio.

Sebeka (Minn.) Cleaners, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ray McInteer, was gutted by fire recently.

Village Cleaners has been Leader Cleaners of Chicago opened in a new building at held a grand opening recently 250 W. Main St., Flushing, at its newest location, 5701 Milwaukee.

Fetty Cleaners, 117 W. Michigan St., Fortville, Ind., is under Vassar Cleaners has been the new management of Don opened in the Venoy-Palmer Kline and his sons, and will be





ers. The new owners also oper-ate a cleaning establishment on Route 5 in Noblesville,

Monon (Ind.) Cleaners has announced plans to open a coin-operated laundry on W. Fourth

State-Way Cleaners & Tuxedo Rental Co. has been opened at 7600 State St., East St. Louis, Ill., by Mrs. Ethel Freiberg, who also operates Fairlawn Cleaners, 4029 State St.

Lease Cleaners has been moved to 115 E. Main St., Plainfield, Ind.

known as Kline and Sons Clean- ros, in the operation of American Cleaners, 14068 Lincoln Ave., Dolton, Ill. The plant has been remodeled and new drycleaning equipment added.

Longhead Dry Cleaners has leased space in the new North-brook Shopping Center, under construction at Pippin and Adams Rd., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Charles Radford is the new owner of Lugsch Cleaners and Launderers, Glenwood, Iowa. The establishment had been in the Lugsch family since 1871.

drycleaning has been installed at Shakopee
George Petkovich has joined (Minn.) Cleaners. William Werhis father-in-law, Steve Laza- merskirchen is the manager.

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## **OBITUARIES**

Minerva M. Bassett, 80, partner in Bassett Cleaning Company, Easton, Pennsylvania, died recently. She was a member of the William Parsons Chapter, Order of Eastern Star. Surviving are a daughter and two sons, one of whom was associated with her in the drycleaning business.

Gertrude Hanlon Emling, 63, owner of Emling's Dry Cleaners, Erie, Pennsylvania, died recently. Mrs. Emling is survived by her husband and two sons.

Edward Fritchie, 55, vice-president and advertising manager of Lincoln Bag Company, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, died of a heart attack in a hospital on May 2. Mr. Fritchie was connected with Lincoln Bag Company for 21 years. Surviving are his wife, son, daughter, six grandchildren and two

Elias R. Garza, 46, owner of Cincinnati Cleaners, San Antonio, Texas, died recently. Mr. Garza was a member of the West Side Optimist Club, a charter member of the Charro Dorado Riding Club and a special deputy sheriff. Surviving are his wife and two sons.

Irvin I. Kozak, 45, co-owner of Gem Cleaners and Launderers, Washington, D. C., died recently. He joined Eli Berkowitz to found Gem in 1947. Surviving are his wife, two daughters and a son. Continued on page 96



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Harold J. Schenk, 49, operator of Schenk Odorless Cleaners, Belleville, Illinois, died recently. He was a charter member of the Laundry and Dry Cleaners Union, a member of the West Side Commercial Club, St. Clair County Anglers Association and Belle-Clair Home Owners Association. Surviving are his wife, two half-brothers and two half-sisters.

William Spitz, 76, proprietor of Metropolitan Cleaners, Schenectady, New York, died recently. Mr. Spitz was born in Hungary and came to New York 60 years ago. Survivors include his wife and three sons.

Paul T. Stepp, 64, owner of Stepp Cleaners, Dormont, Pennsylvania, died recently. Survivors are his wife, two daughters and a son.

Ben Vigott, 69, retired co-owner of Marvel Cleaners and Dyers, Chicago, Illinois, died recently. He is survived by his wife, a son and four daughters.

## ANNUAL CONVENTIONS

June 6 and 7—Southern Laundry and Cleaners Association, Holiday Inn, Memphis, Tennessee.

June 11, 12 and 13—Mid-West Cleaners & Launderers Convention and Exhibition (Kansas Association of Cleaners and Launderers and The Associated Cleaning & Laundry Services of Missouri), Hotel President, Kansas City, Missouri.

June 17 and 18—North Carolina Association of Launderers and Cleaners, Inc., Robert E. Lee Hotel, Winston-Salem.

June 19 and 20—West Virginia Launderers & Drycleaners Association, Beckley.

June 19, 20 and 21—California Drycleaners Association, Claremont Hotel, Berkeley.

June 26, 27 and 28—Florida Institute of Laundering and Cleaning, Tampa Terrace Hotel, Tampa.

August 21, 22 and 23—Georgia Launderers and Cleaners Association, Inc., Atlanta Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta.

September 24, 25 and 26—New York State Launderers & Cleaners Association, Scaroon Manor, Schroon Lake.

October 14, 15 and 16—Laundry and Cleaners Allied Trades Association, Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C.

October 22, 23 and 24—Canadian Cleaners and Launderers Allied Trades Association, Queen Elizabeth Building, Toronto, Ontario.

October 22, 23 and 24—Dry Cleaners and Launderers Institute (Ontario) Ltd., Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Ontario.

October 31 and November 1—Cleansing Plant Owners of Massachusetts, Bradford Hotel, Boston.



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To the Editor:

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We expect to have guests of honor, His Excellency, Ambassador Douglas MacArthur II of the United States of America, and Mr. Aiichiro Fujiyama, Foreign Minister of Japan.

We are very fortunate to have the California Drycleaners Association joined in co-sponsorship with the Japan Cleaning Productivity Council in inaugurating the first convention of international scale. We believe that the convention will create better understanding and friendship between the two countries and produce profitable exchange of technical ideas.

Why not combine business and pleasure this summer by touring Japan? Americans are welcomed everywhere by the Japanese. You will be intrigued and fascinated by the many places you are to visit, carefully chosen according to their geographical locations, colorful, historical and cultural interests.

I surely hope that I may have the pleasure of meeting you at the forth-coming "International Drycleaners Convention" in Tokyo, Japan.

Enclosed is a pamphlet of the convention with more interesting information for you. Please feel free to ask for further information and the California Drycleaners Association will gladly supply you with the necessary

TAKEO IGARASHI President, Hakuyosha Company, Ltd. Tokyo, Japan

An announcement of the Japan-California-sponsored convention was carried in our April issue. Wish we could go; sounds like the drycleaner's perfect business-pleasure trip.

## Industry Claims Code

To the Editor:

With reference to your editorial on page 22 of the February issue of The NATIONAL CLEANER & DYER, we are interested in the National Claim Adjustment code.

## Let's Hear From You . . .

We welcome your inquiries, your views about every phase of the drycleaning industry, your problems and your solutions to problems. Address: The Editor

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The National Claim Adjustment Code is being sponsored and formalized by the National Institute of Drycleaning at Silver Spring, Maryland. It is still in a nebulous stage. However, we suggest writing to the Institute to indicate support and interest. Such letters will give impetus to the campaign.—Editor

## **Leather Cleaning**

To the Editor:

Where can I get more information about suede and leather cleaning? Please let me have all information that I need about this fine service and what I need in machine (regular machine for drycleaning with perchlor I have in my plant).

I thank you, sir, in advance for your full and fine information and I am looking forward to your news with

interest.

-EDITOR

Rudy Wegmann Batterkinden/Bern, Switzerland

An article on suede and leather cleaning appeared in our April 1959 issue.—Editor

## Information Furnished

To the Editor:

In the April edition of your magazine we note on Page 58 an article on the cleaning of carpets and rugs. We are extremely interested in this branch of industry, with particular reference to the machinery used by the company mentioned.

However, in this article the name of the manufacturer is not disclosed; would you be kind enough to furnish us with their name and address, together with those of any other manufacturers making this type of equipment.

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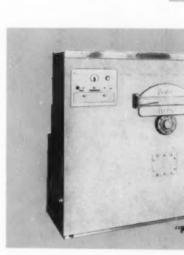


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